

FOREIGN DEPT.

VIET-NAM, - BANQUE NATIONALE du

BANK NOTES

1954 - 1955

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December 1, 1954

Vietnam

Mr. W. F. Colclough, Jr., President

Bank Notes - Inquiry from Washington, D. C.,
re Minimum Delivery Time on 70,000,000 Units

Yesterday Mr. Paul D. Dickens, Office of International Finance, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., telephoned to determine the time necessary to engrave and print 70,000,000 bank notes. He could not reveal the name of the interested country and regretted that the facts he had concerning specifications were vague, if not practically nil. Various questions asked Mr. Dickens brought forth no further helpful details, but on the basis of the meager information he had given me, I promised to see what kind of a reply I could make by early morning.

This morning Mr. Schomp spoke with Mr. Dickens, expressing our interest, and our desire to cooperate to the fullest extent possible, pointing out that we would need further details if we were to make a completely responsible promise regarding delivery. Upon being asked what kind of a time schedule he had in mind, whether 6, 4, 3, 2, etc., months, Mr. Dickens thought perhaps months should be considered a minimum. Mr. Dickens was not sure about nominations but believed reference might have been made to only one.

Mr. Dickens said the Bureau of Printing and Engraving was aware the proposed issue but could not accept the work. It appeared that no other bank note company had been approached.

In response to inquiry Mr. Dickens expressed the opinion that the next move regarding the order would come through him but that thereafter all negotiations most likely would be direct with the country concerned.

Mr. Schomp reiterated that it was impossible to make a definite delivery promise without additional details but emphasized that in view of the size of our organization and its experience over the years, we could meet whatever reasonable need the customer might have. Mr. Schomp did not encourage Mr. Dickens to expect any delivery under a four month's period.

Mr. Dickens was assured of our desire to place our facilities at the disposal of the prospective customer and to cooperate to our fullest ability in meeting the need, whatever it might be. We are to be advised of further developments.

MMW:ed

File Manager Foreign Department

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December 10, 1954

Vietnam

Mr. W. F. Colclough, Jr., President:

Bank Notes - Second Inquiry from Washington, D.C.
(See memorandum of December 1st)

Mr. Ralph Hirschtritt, Deputy Chief of the Far Eastern Division, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., telephoned yesterday with further reference to the proposed bank note issue discussed previously with Mr. Dickens, Chief of the same Division.

Mr. Hirschtritt was still not at liberty to disclose the identity of the interested country but thought we should be informed soon as the order is urgent and possibly will be placed within a week or two.

Mr. Hirschtritt referred to a total quantity of 60,000,000 notes (not 70,000,000, as mentioned by Mr. Dickens) and, at the suggestion of the State Department, he explained, asked how many denominations we could begin delivering in three months.

I told Mr. Hirschtritt that without further details it was impossible for us to make responsible answers to the inquiries we were receiving. I said that I had not understood Mr. Schomp to hold out hope for deliveries to begin in three months and added that if we undertook deliveries under six months we probably would not wish to commit ourselves for more than one denomination, as had been mentioned by Mr. Dickens. I remarked that, depending on the specifications of course, we might possibly undertake two denominations at once. I made it clear, though, that I was making no promises.

Mr. Hirschtritt then asked whether I could state how many notes of 1, 2 or 3 different denominations could be included in an early initial shipment. I said that here again there were no facts on which to base an answer but I would assume that a minimum of some 500,000 or 1,000,000 notes per denomination might be considered a fair estimate provided we were given a reasonable preparatory period.

I told Mr. Hirschtritt that I would like to discuss his inquiry further here, and would call him early this morning. He was quite agreeable and suggested that I might indicate some of the facts we most urgently needed.

I called Mr. Hirschtritt today, urging that as quickly as possible we be permitted to deal directly with the interested country. Incidentally, I referred

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to our extensive experience in handling matters of high confidence with government officials and others, and suggested that perhaps someone from here should soon go to Washington in order to get the negotiations on a basis of greater detail. Mr. Hirschtritt fully concurred, saying that if I could now list for him some of the specific information needed, he would contact his sources at once and endeavor to arrange that we be consulted directly. In reply I said that we would need to know, among other things:

- 1) Number of denominations needed
- 2) Delivery requirements
- 3) Size of the notes - variations or same sizes for all denominations
- 4) Material (portraits, scenes, etc.) to be used on faces and backs. Same for all denominations or variations.
- 5) Numerals to be used - all arabic
- 6) Type of notes - all steel engraved or otherwise
- 7) Availability now of pictorial and signature material - here or abroad
- 8) Approval of model - here or abroad
- 9) Approval of proofs - here or abroad
- 10) Desire for protective underlying tint - steel or surface printed.

I pointed out that we used one grade only of scattered planchette bank note paper. I stressed that any responsible delivery promise, made upon receipt of all specifications, would be effective from the date when all material was in hand and our model(s) officially approved.

I said that we would prefer a progressive delivery system that would in effect provide for our delivering, say, a million notes of one denomination on a given date, another million of another denomination a certain number of days or weeks later, etc.

I then raised the question of finances, inquiring whether order would be paid for by some U. S. Government office or directly by the country concerned. I discreetly asked whether the U. S. Government was to offer financial guarantees. Of course, Mr. Hirschtritt did not have the answers. He promised to pass the gist of the foregoing along to the interested party and at the same time press for direct conversation with us.

I asked whether the country involved might not be Siam. Mr. Hirschtritt replied in the negative.

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Manager Foreign Department

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Vietnam

Mr. W. F. Colclough, Jr., President

Bank Notes - Second Inquiry from Washington, D.C.
(See memorandum of December 1st) ✓

In talking to Mr. Hirschtritt this morning on another matter, I inquired concerning the status of discussions on the above.

He expressed surprise that the interested party had not yet been to see us. He had made known the type of information we required and explained that perhaps the negotiators had referred the matter to the central authority at home and were awaiting instructions before proceeding further.

Mr. Hirschtritt said that at this stage there appeared to be little else he could do.

MMW:ed

Manager Foreign Department

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April 11, 1955

His Excellency Tran Van Chuong
Ambassador of Viet-Nam
Embassy of Viet-Nam
2200 Kalorama Road N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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Excellency:

Our Far Eastern Representative, Mr. H. G. McNeary, recently advised us it is his understanding that your country is considering the issuance of a new permanent currency. We assume that the details regarding such an issue will be forwarded to your Embassy in due course, or perhaps they are already in your hands.

We are most interested in placing our full facilities and services at the disposal of your Government and, in the interests of quality work and the highest security obtainable anywhere in the world, invite you to communicate with us. We shall, therefore, look forward to hearing from you.

Should you care to telephone, our New York exchange is Whitehall 4-6200. We should, of course, be pleased to have our representative visit you at the Embassy in Washington at any time.

In the meantime, accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

President

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TRANSLATION

*Ask by
cable
6/12/55*

State of Viet-Nam

M. M. W.

JUN 12 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

Saigon, June 8, 1955

No. 1148 NHQG

*Cable to McHenry
6/15/55
Cable to McHenry
6/17/55
J.W.B.*

Purpose:
Information re printing
of bank notes

**FILED
JUL 12 1955**

JUN 17 1955

The Governor of the Banque National de Viet-Nam,

To the Director of the AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY,
70 Broad Street,
New York 4, N. Y.

Mr. Director:

I have the honor to request you to be good enough to inform me urgently of the conditions on which your Establishment could print bank notes for the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, and to give me, especially, the following information:

- 1st - Time required for the manufacture of models (a- design, b- engraving);
- 2nd - Time required for the printing of the notes;
- 3rd - Method of transportation and delivery;
- 4th - Kind of paper to be used (with or without filigree; or with or without metallic security thread);
- 5th - Method of printing (number of printings; with or without intaglio, etc...);
- 6th - Price for the notes delivered at Saigon (a- insured, b- uninsured).

Thanking you in advance, please accept, Mr. Director, the assurances of my distinguished consideration.

(Here appears (Sgd.) (illegible)
the stamped seal
of the
Governor
Banque Nationale
State of Viet-Nam) Duong-Tan-Tai

(ED)

ETAT DU VIET-NAM

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N^o 1148 NH 29

OBJET :

A.s. de l'impression
des billets de banque

Saigon le 8 Juin 1955

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

*A Monsieur le Directeur de l'AMERICAN BANKNOTE
COMPANY,
70, Broad Street,*

**FILING
JUL 12 1955**

M. M. W. NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.
W.F.C.
JUN 12 1955

JUN 13 1955

Monsieur le Directeur,

J'ai l'honneur de vous prier de bien vouloir
me faire connaître d'urgence les conditions
auxquelles votre Etablissement pourrait imprimer des
billets de banque pour la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam,
et me donner, notamment, les renseignements suivants :

- 1°- délai pour la fabrication des maquettes
(a- dessin, b- gravure);
- 2°- délai pour l'impression des billets;
- 3°- mode de transport et de livraison;
- 4°- nature du papier à employer (avec
filigrane ou non; ou avec fil métallique de sécurité
ou non);
- 5°- mode d'impression (nombre d'impressions;
avec ou sans taille douce, etc ...);
- 6°- prix pour les billets livrés à Saigon
(a- avec assurances, b- sans assurances).

Avec mes remerciements anticipés, veuillez
agréer, Monsieur le Directeur, l'assurance de ma
considération distinguée.



DUONG-TÂN-TÀI

MCNEARY (H.G. McNeary)

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JUN 16 1955

June 15, 1955

MANILA (Philippines)

IHNEW	Governor of
IKFYS	National Bank of
VIETNAM	
IKXEC	Saigon
AZWUH	In.....letter of
IVFEH	June 8th
EKZOL	Request(s) us (to)
ETNEV	Urgently
ATCEK	Furnish
EHMOK	Price(s)
ANBEP	Promise of delivery on
ECGIX	Models
ADGYF	And
EDHON	Notes
EBVYP	Method
EMTAV	Shipment(s)
ANGIX	A description of
EFZAB	Paper
EHRIX	Printing
EHVOG	Process
EBVYR	Method employed
ARPUK	Etc. (Etcetera)
EPGUL	Stop

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(Cable to Mr. McNeary) **FILING** June 15, 1955

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ANKAN	Must have complete details before we can give
ADKEK	Answer
E PGUL	Stop
ACJYS	Consider it advisable
EZFAL	You
EVLAC	Visit
AFXON	Bank(s)
AMXYL	Without delay
ASGAF	Ascertain the facts and advise
AFXON	Bank(s)
ADSUP	Appropriately
EHHOV	In preparation
ENROT	Specification(s)
ADKOK	Answering
ACTEN	All their
EJKEH	Questions
AHREF	You can
ACKOR	Please advise

MMW:ed

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JUN 16 1955

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EHMOK ANBEP ECGIX ADGYF EDHON EBVYP EMTAV ANGIX EFZAB
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BANKNOTE, NY

*Refer
to cable
6/16/55
mmw*
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JUN 17 1955**

Manila, June 16, 7:58 p.m., 1955

A. L. S.

JUN 16 1955

IRNYR Refer to your telegram of 15th

EDTUS Impossible to obtain

EVKIX Visa of passport

AVFEW Here

ECKOH Within.....months

DAD 2

EPGUL Stop

DAVIS

ERGIF Telegraphed

AFCYH Arrangements have been made with

IKXAC Vietnam

AZKYS Legation(s)

ILDYZ Bangkok

AXTEZ To issue

EVKAX Visa

AMXYL Without delay

AHHIF But I

ADNAP Must appear in

EGPEB In person

EPGUL Stop

AZJAK Could arrange to leave

ECJEN Monday

ASREV For

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(Cable from Mr. McNeary)

June 16, 1955

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JUN 17 1955

IKTYL	Hongkong
ESTED	Tuesday
ILDYZ	Bangkok
ASZYD	Friday
IKXEC	Saigon
AGMAN	This is the very best I can do
ACKOR	Please advise

(H. G. McNeary)

(ED)

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AGMAN ACKOR

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ACMAN ACHON

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Cable
From ~~letter~~ dated June 16, 1955

From Mr. MMW to Mr. McNeary

Filed in Packet Philippine, - Rep. of Cigarette Stamps

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JUN 17 1955

" Refer to your telegram of 16th Advisable to proceed (with) Stop"

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Manila

SUBJECT VIETNAM.

to

New York

FILING
JUN 30 1955

DATE June 16 1955

Confirming exchange of telegrams.

Yours June 15.

Governor Societe Anonyme Vietnam Saigon negotiating loan June 8 requested us urgently furnish price promise of delivery on model and notes method of shipment and discription of paper printing method employed etc stop must have complete discription before we can give answer stop consider it advisable you visit Bank without delay ascertain the facts and advise Bank appropriately on preparation specifications answering all their questions you can - please advise

M. M. W.
JUN 23 1955

Upon receipt of the above telegram I checked with the various air lines and with top air line officials of PAL to obtain priority in obtaining visa and was advised, one would be fortunate to get a visa in under 2 months, so I cabled Davis.

NOTHING FOR FILING

Ours June 16 to Davis Bank of America Bangkok

will you kindly inquire of Vietnam Legation how quickly can obtain Saigon Visa regards and thanks Mac

NOTHING FOR FILING

Ours June 16 to Nolloth HongKong.

is Saigon visa obtainable HongKong how long does it take to get Mac

NOTHING FOR FILING

Davis' reply from Bangkok Recd Manila 5pm. June 16

Have made arrangements Vietnam Charge DAffairs will issue visa without delay on presentation by you in person letter recommendation American Embassy Bangkok stop if you want me to apply for such letter please cable your eta best regards Lew.

Ours to NY June 16th

refer to your tele 15th impossible to obtain visa for passport here within 2 months stop Davis telegraphed arrangements have been made with Vietnam Legation Bangkok to issue visa without delay but I must appear in person stop could arrange to leave Monday for HongKong Tuesday for Bangkok Friday for Saigon this is the very best I can do please advise.

The above arrangements have been tentatively booked, travel is very heavy so bookings must be made well in advance.- the above schedule is the very best that can be worked out, only two flights leave Bangkok for Saigon - Tuesday at 7 a.m. and Friday at 6 a.m.- There are no direct scheduled flights from Manila to Bangkok.- If it is possible to get a visa within a reasonable time in HongKong I will make the flight to Saigon direct from HongKong. Your instructions are awaited.

Far Eastern Representative.

BANKNOTE, NY

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Manila, June 17, 1955

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M. M. W.
JUN 17 1955

IRPAS

Refer to your telegram of 16th

IRHYC

Refer to our telegram of 16th

AZJAR

Leaving here

ECJEN

Monday

EPGUL

~~Stop~~

ENWIB

Cigarette stamp bands for imported cigarettes

EHKYD

Presenting

AGPOC

Bid

ECJEN

Monday

EPGUL

~~Stop~~

ENWEB

Cigarette stamp bands

ENROX

Will send specifications

ECJEN

Monday

EJJAN

Exact quantity

IPSAJ

Refer to our letter of 7th

ITPOG

May

FEDCE

800

ECCYJ

Million(s)

AGPYC

Bids

EHKUG

To be presented

IVSUP

July 21st

EPFAT

Stock on hand

AZZIK

Low

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(Cable from Mr. McNeary)

June 17, 1955

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ANBUP	Prompt delivery urgently required
EPGUL	Stop
ENWEC	Commemorative stamps ✓
ERGUN	Telegraph as soon as possible
ANSUP	Direct to
IJDAP	Director de Correos (Director of Posts)
AVCOL	He (she) is
EKTEV	Anxiously awaiting reply from you
EPGUL	Stop
AGVAP	Bond(s) ✓
EBBEW	Air mail
AGPOC	Bid
ANSUP	Direct to
IFZAZ	Central Bank of the Philippines

(H. G. McNeary)

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ABNCo.
N. Y.

FLING
JUN 20 1955

Manila
June 17, 1955

M. M. W.

JUN 17 1955

IRNYR Refer to your telegram of 15th
EPNOX suggest that you
ERGEF telegraph
EZVID Governor of the Bank
AFDYN I am arriving at
IKXEC Saigon
ASZYD Friday
EPGUL Stop
ENXUC Social Security stamps ✓
EMVAW when will you commence shipment (of)

(H. G. McNeary)

(SG)

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IRNYR EPNOX ERGEF EZVID AFDYN IKXEC ASZYD EPGUL ENXUC

EMVAW

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 YOUR REPLY TO
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(LT)

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SENDER'S
NAME AND ADDRESS **AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY**

DATE **June 17, 1955**

PLEASE FILL IN ONE ROUTING
VIA ALL AMERICA or VIA COMMERCIAL or VIA MACKAY RADIO

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JUN 20 1955

To

LT

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Saigon (Vietnam)

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du Viet-Nam -
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MCNEARY (H. G. McNeary)

June 17, 1955

MANILA (Philippines)

FILED
JUN 20 1955

IRPET	Refer to your telegram of 17th
IRPIV	Refer to your telegram of 18th
ACXEM	We also
ERGIF	Telegraphed
EZVID	Governor of the Bank
EPGUL	Stop
ENXUC	Social Security Stamps
EMVAN	Ready to make partial shipment
ARFIG	At the end of the
ECKOB	Month(s)
EJDUN	Provided
AZPUN	Letter of credit
EJVEV	Received
EBSAF	In the meantime
EPGUL	Stop
EGPIW	Philippine(s)
AGVAP	Bond(s)
ALCEB	After careful consideration
ALGIB	
ENROT	Specification(s)
ADGYF	And
EHJET	Present
AKRYV	Conditions
AMPYL	Have (has) decided not to
AGPOC	Bid

JWB:ed

3:25

File

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SENDER'S
NAME AND ADDRESS **American Bank Note Co., 70 Broad St.**

DATE **June 17, 1955**

PLEASE FILL IN ONE ROUTING
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To **MCNEARY**

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Manila, June 18, 1955

MLIND
JUN 20 1955

File
M. M. W.
U.S.

ERFIC

Have received telegram (from)

JUN 17 1955

EZVID

Governor of the Bank

M. M. W.

NATIONALE

- *Vietnam*

JUN 17 1955

IKXEC

Saigon

ERGIK

Have telegraphed to him (her)

J. W. B.

ERNAH

That I shall (be)

JUN 17 1955

AWJAV

In

IKXEC

Saigon

ASZYD

Friday

(H. G. McNeary)

(ED)

File

ERFIC EZVID NATIONALE IKXEC ERGIK ERNAH AWJAV IKXEC ASZYD

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

SUBJECT BANQUE NATIONALE SAIGON

MANILA

to

New York

DATE June 18 1955

FILING
JUN 30 1955

Confirming exchange of telegrams.

NY June 16.

refer to your tele of the 16th advisable to proceed stop
imported cigarette strip stamps have you presented quotation stop
commemorative stamps refer to your letter of the 9th quotation will be
ready in about one week where shall we cable stop domestic cigarette
strip stamps when will you send specifications

NOTHING FOR FILING

To Davis Bamerical Bangkok June 17

Eta Panam Tuesday apply for Embassy Letter, book Saigon flight Friday.

NOTHING FOR FILING

From Nolloth HongKong June 17.

Visa saigon obtainable might take 2 weeks or more suggest apply Manila
Nolloth

NOTHING FOR FILING

to Oriental Hotel Bangkok June 17

eta Panamerican Tuesday McNeary

NOTHING FOR FILING

Peninsula Hotel Kowloon June 17

eta PAL Monday departing Tuesday McNeary.

to Banknote NY June 17.

Refer to your tele of 16 refer to our tele 16 leaving here Monday stop
cigarette stamp bands for imported cigarettes presenting bid Monday stop
cigarette strip stamps will send specifications Monday exact quantity refer
to our letter of May 7 - 800 million- bids to be presented July 21 stock
on hand low prompt delivery will be urgently required stop
commemorative stamps telegraph as soon as possible direct to Director of
Posts he is anxiously awaiting reply from you stop bonds air mail bid
direct to Bank.

to Banknote NY June 17. 5 pm

refer to your tele of the 15 suggest that you telegraph governor of the Bank
I am arriving Saigon Friday stop Social Security Stamp when will you
commence shipment.

NOTHING FOR FILING

from Governor Banque National Saigon June 17-11p.m.

Monsieur H.J. McNeary Manila Hotel Manille - No.108 Honneur vous prier
telegraphier si pour avoir entretien avec vous a saigon au sujet impressions
billets banque stop dans affirmative reconnaissant indiquer date rencontre
stop sincere remerciements stop Duong Tan Tai Gouverneru Banque National
Saigon.

NOTHING FOR FILING

to Nolloth Filairline HongKong June 17 4pm

eta Saigon Friday 24th arrange hotel accommodations request confirmation
check Panam passage McNeary

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Manila

SUBJECT

Banque National Saigon

to

New York

DATE June 18 1955

FILING
JUN 30 1955

(2)

to New York June 17 at midnight.

have received telegram from Governor of the Bank Nationale Saigon have telegraphed him that I shall be in Saigon Friday.

NOTHING FOR FILING

to Dountantai Gouverneru Banque National Saigon from Manila Midnight June 17 your telegram deeply appreciated will arrive Saigon from Bangkok on Friday June twentyfourth.- Henry McNeary

From Ny June 17.

Refer to your tele of the 17 refer to your tele of 18 we also telegraphed Governor of the Bank stop social security stamps ready to make partial shipment at the end of the month provided letter of credit received in themeantime stop Philippine bonds after careful consideration of the specifications and present conditions have decided not to bid.

The foregoing covers the exchange of telegrams re the trip to Saigon, travel is difficult, visa to some countries take months, A.D.Calhoun of the NCB - sponsored by US Embassy - etc,waited here for 3 weeks and left for Saigon without visa but with French Minister, his visa came through about 6 weeks later. With the help of Davis of the Bank of America, Bangkok - and air line friends - I should be in Saigon on Schedule - Friday June 24 1955.-

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Phil. Don't Bonds
Excerpt
made for
Bond file
6/24/55

Henry McNeary
Far Eastern Representative.

HMN.-

DATE June 18 1955

New York

TO

(2)

to New York June 18 at midnight.
have received telegram from Governor of the Bank National Saigon
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NOTHING FOR FILING

to Departmental Government Banknote National Saigon from Manila Monday June 13
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on Friday June twenty-fourth. Henry Monks

From June 11.
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June 21, 1955

M. M. W.

SUBJECT: BANQUE NATIONALE DU CAMBODGE and BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

JUN 21 1955

Mr. M. M. Wise
Manager Foreign Dept.

FILING
JUN 23 1955

file

For your information, we are advised that B.W. have agents
at Saigon and Phnom-Ponh.

J. W. B.
Chairman

J. W. B.
JUN 22 1955

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OF AMERICA
TEL. HA. 2-1811

66 BROAD STREET, N. Y., TEL. HA. 2-1811

JUN 27 1955

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STANDARD TIME
1955 JUN 27 AM 8:35

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Tel.*

DA186 (NUMBER OF WORDS ~~SUBJECT TO CORRECTION~~)

D FB3043

SGN150 KN SAIGON 51 24 1930 VIARCA

LT BANKNOTE NEWYORK

FILING
JUL 12 1955

A. L. S.
JUN 27 1955

QUOTATION REQUESTED SIZE APPROXIMATELY AS 500 BANQUE BELGE CONGO

STOP PORTRAIT FACE AND BACK ALSO QUOTE ^{ONE} PORTRAIT ON FACE ORNATE

BACK STOP QUOTE ON BOTH TEN AND TWENTY MILLION NOTES ONE

DENOMINATION HUNDRED PIASTRES STOP TIME DELIVERY EXTREMELY IMPORTANT

STOP PRIVATE CODES PROHIBITED ADDRESS CARE BANVINA

MCNEARY

M. M. W.
JUN 27 1955

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D CORPORATION OF AMERICA
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A.L.S.
JUN 27 1955

W.M.
JUN 27 1955
FEDERAL DEPT
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JUN 27 1955



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CA COMMUNICATIONS, Inc.
A SERVICE OF RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA

W. F. C.
JUN 27 1955

OFFICIAL ADVICE

LT BANKNOTE NY

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JUL 12 1955

66 BROAD ST

6/27

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OUR RADIOGRAM DA186/FB3043/SGN150/BQ DATED 24TH READ

IN TEXT BACK ALSO QUOTE ONE PORTRAIT ON FACE ORNATE ETC NUMBER OF WORDS
51 CORRECT. ERASE SUBJECT TO CORRECTION

SAIGON PER

RCA COMMUNICATIONS, Inc.

by.....GJM



LT BANKNOTE NY

66 BROAD ST

6/27

OUR TELEGRAM DATED 26/6/55, DATED 24TH READ

IN TEXT BACK ALSO, UTE ONE PORTRAIT ON FACE ORNATE ETC NUMBER OF WORDS

ST CORRECT. ERASE SUBJECT TO CORRECTION

SAIGON PER JUN 27 1955

A.B.N.C.O. DEPT 1



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DA256

FB3714

SGN185LQ SAIGON 122 ~~25~~ 1840

LT BANKNOTE NEWYORK

DISREGARD PREVIOUS TELEGRAM STOP

DELIVERY REQUIRED SAIGON BY OCTOBER FIFTEENTH QUANTITIES SIXTY
MILLION ONE HUNDRED PIASTRES NOTES SAME SIZE AS US CURREN-
CY FACE VIGNETTE INDEPENDENCE PALACE BACK NO VIGNETTE JUST ORNATE
LATHE AND DENOMINATION ALSO SIX MILLION FIVE HUNDRED PIASTRES NOTES
HORIZONTAL MEASUREMENTS QUARTER INCH LONGER VERTICAL

P2

THREE SIXTEENTHS MORE THAN HUNDRED PIASTRES NOTES VIGNETTE FOR
FACE UNDECIDED BACK AS ABOVE QUOTE FOB GIVE AIRFREIGHT ALSO
OCEAN CHARGES STOP USE OUR NUMBERING SYSTEM STOP EMBASSY WILL
APPROVE MODELS STOP DELIVERY OCTOBER FIFTEENTH IMPERATIVE TO OBTAIN
ORDER STOP QUOTATION AND DELIVERY PROMISE URGENTLY REQUESTED STOP
VIGNETTE PHOTOGRAPH TITLE ETCETERA PROBABLY
READY MONDAY PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE THIS TELEGRAM GIVING
INDICATION FEASIBILITY AND WHEN QUOTATION AND DELIVERY PROMISE
MAYBE EXPECTED

MCNEARY CARE BANVINA

A. L. S.

JUN 27 1955

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JUL 12 1955

Mr. White

M. M. W.

JUN 26 1955 JUN 27 1955

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*Handed this
to Mr. [unclear]
ext. [unclear]
purpos [unclear]
6/27*

U.S. AIR FORCE
JUN 27 1955

U.S. AIR FORCE
JUN 27 1955

FORN DEPT
A.B.N.CO.

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JUN 27 1955

Le to Krante

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

6/27/55

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Bruc - 200 - C.I.D.

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SEP 23 1955

Steel - Little -

100 } Plastic Vietnam
200 }

174 x 108 mm

205 x 112 mm

Paper-metal band - wmm - ?

ku ong tantai

No quantity mentioned.

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FILED
SEP 23 1955

SUBJECT:

1- 2 Steel - 1 Face tint

2- 1 " 2 little colors Face
1 little back

3- 1 " 2 little colors Face & on
back

(120,000,000 B+W 12)

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MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (VIET-NAM)

FILED
JUN 28 1955

"Via Mackay Radio"

REFER YOUR TELEGRAM JUNE 25TH WILL BE HONORED TO RENDER
FULLEST COOPERATION IN FURNISHING 60,000,000 DENOMINATION 100 AND 6,000,000
DENOMINATION 500 BASED ON OUR HIGHEST QUALITY ENGRAVING AND PAPER stop
UPON RECEIPT OF DETAILS WHICH WE ASSUME WE WILL RECEIVE THIS WEEK WE WILL
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YOURS 27TH/MAILING DETAILS THURSDAY/NOTE QUITE

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SUBJECT

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
NGAN-HANG QUOC-GIA VIET-NAM

DATE

June 28 1955

Saigon

to

New York

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JUL 12 1955

cc 6/29/55

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Proposed issue for the above Banque - 60,000,000 - notes of denomination - 100 Piastres - color - face and back - 11 Brown

Size of note:-

to be same size as present US currency which is approximately 6-1/8" x 2-5/8" or approximately 155.6 mm x 66.7 mm

M. M. W.

JUL -6 1955

Face of note.-

Similar to the Republica del Paraguay 100 Pesos - issue of 1923 in the placing of the denominational figures.

Title of Note.-

The name of the Banque is to be shown below the top border in a straight line. not curved as in the Paraguay note.

The name of the Banque is - Ngan-Hang Quoc-Gia Viet-Nam - a specimen of the Banque's name showing the accent marks is attached.

Vignette -

The vignette to be used is of the Town Hall (Cityhall) and is to be shown in the center of the note - the denomination 100 in a medallion counter is to be on both sides of the vignette: disregard the statues on the building, these are to be removed from the building and should not appear in the engraving, under the vignette show the words - Mot Tram Dong - which mean - 100 Piastres.

Signature Panel-

it can be similar to the panel on the Paraguay 100 Pesos note. if time permits the Banque's name can be shown in the signature panel. The titles of the signing officers are to be ABOVE their signatures:- Specimen signatures and titles are enclosed, only the Viet-Nam wording for the title is to be used as indicated on the sheet.

Clauses -

No promise to pay or other clauses are to be used, nor is there to be a date of issue.

Border

The border of the Central Bank of the Philippines 2 Pesos model can be used.

Numbering-

To be our own numbering system - two numbers on the face of the note.

Multicolor-Major Tint face of both denominations to carry the usual major tint.

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Accent Marks-

In the writing of Viet-Nam words the accent marks are extremely important and must be faithfully reproduced. You will note in the word Dong which means "piastre" there is a stroke through the vertical line of the D - this is an accent mark and must be shown when writing the word Dong. please follow all accent marks carefully. The dash - between the various words are also important.

THE BACK OF THE HUNDRED PIASTRE NOTE:-

Design:-

To be the same as the Philippines 10 Pesos model with the following exceptions:-

Large 100 - denominational figures to replace the 10

++ Vignette - of a Phoenix (bird) to be used if obtainable - if time
++ will not permit the engraving of a Phoenix - then the wording
++ Mot Tram Dong - meaning 100 Piastres can be suitably shown and
engraving artistically completed:

Should it be possible to use the vignette of a Phoenix then show
the words MOT TRAM DONG - meaning 100 Piastres over the vignette.

Penalty Clause- is to be shown on the back, at the bottom below
the vignette - the clause is written on a separate sheet and is
composed of two lines; it can be shown in either one or two lines;
please follow the accent marks carefully.

The words ten - pesos will be deleted and are not to be replaced.

see page 3 - - - - Thursday June 30 1955

++ ++ I have this minute returned from a talk with the Governor; he
++ read the above instructions covering both denominations and said
++ it has his approval: However with regard to the vignette of the
++ Phoenix he said he definitely must have it:= so kindly be guided
accordingly:-

When the models are completed send 2 photographs of the face and
of the back of each denomination, photographs must be in the actual
size of the notes:-

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DATE

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Proposed issue for the above Banque - 6,000,000 - Notes of denomination - 500 Piastres - color - face and back - 9 Blue

Size of note:-

Is to be - horizontal measurement 6-5/8" x 3" or approximately 168.3 mm x 76.2 mm.

Face of note.-

Similar to El Banco Central Del Ecuador 5 Sucres (F10548) with the following exceptions.

Title of note.-

The name of the Banque is to be shown as on the Ecuador note in the upper border. The name of the Banque is - Ngan-Hang Quoc-Gia Viet-Nam.

Vignette-

The vignette to be shown is of the Palace of Independence and is to be in the center of the note - the denomination 500 in a medallion counter is to be on both sides of the vignette; under the vignette show the words - Nam Tram Dong - which mean 500 Piastres.

Signature Panel.- Similar in design to panel on the Central Bank of the Philippines models, if time permits the Banque's name can be shown in the panel: The titles of the signing officers to be ABOVE their signatures.

Clauses.-

No promise to pay or other clauses are to be used on the face of the note; nor is there to be a date of issue.

Border.-

To be similar to Ecuador's 5 Sucres

Numbering.-

To be our own numbering system - two numbers on the face of the note.

Accent Marks.-

In the writing of Viet-Nam words the accent marks are extremely important and must be faithfully reproduced. You will note in the word Dong which means piastre there is a stroke through the vertical line of the D - this is an accent mark and must be shown when writing the word dong. The French call this a crossed D. Please follow all accent marks carefully. The dash - between various words are also important.

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Multicolor-Major tint face of both denominations to carry usual Major tint.

The Back of the Five Hundred Piastre Note:-

Design-

To be the same as Philippines 20 pesos model with the following exceptions.

<u>Change the denominational figures</u>	20	to read	NAM
	20		TRAM
	20		DONG

At the top of the note show VIET-NAM - instead of -20 Pesos 20

Eliminate the vignette and in it's place show an ornate 500 in a medallion.

Penalty clause. to be shown at the bottom of the back.
the clause is written on a separate sheet and is composed of two lines; it can be shown in either one or two lines; please follow the accent marks carefully.

When models are completed send 2-photographs (two) of the face and of the back of each denomination, the photographs must be in the actual size of the notes.

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Handwritten signature
Far East Representative

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The back of the Five Hundred Dollar note:-

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To be the same as the following
exceptions.

Change the denominational figures
to read

At the top of the note show \$100 - instead of \$500

Eliminate the words "and in its place show an ornate 100
in a circle.

Finally clause, to be shown at the bottom of the note.
The clause is written on a separate sheet and is composed of two
lines; it can be shown in either one or two lines; please follow
the second clause carefully.

When models are completed and 2-photographs (two) of the face and
of the back of each denomination, the photographs must be in the
actual size of the notes.

Investigative

A.B.N. CO.



JUL -6 1955

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

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Ngan-Hang Quoc-Gia Viet-Nam
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

to

New York

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 JUL 12 1955

June 29 1955

Through the good offices of L.E. Davis V.P. of the Bank of America, Bangkok - I was able to obtain a visa and proceed to Saigon on schedule arriving here Friday June 24 at 1 p.m.

M. M. W.

The same afternoon at 3pm I had a conference with H.E. Duong Tan Tai Governor of the Banque Nationale : People of this country favor the French style of banknote with watermark etc, our nearest appearing note is perhaps the Belge Congo 500 denomination, in size and style it appealed to the Governor, for the design he said a portrait and other material allegorical of Viet-Nam would be supplied and the quantities on which a quotation was requested were 10 million and 20 million notes and the earliest possible delivery, I could not get an expression of what was expected in the time of delivery; so I sent you a telegram covering the information available at that time, which telegram I presume you received.

On Saturday June 25 I again met the Governor and also the Deputy Governor Vu Quoc Thuc and eventually prevailed on them to accept a note based on the size of the present US currency, the measurements recommended were as follows:

100 Piastres	-6-1/8"	x	2-5/8"	I.E. approximately 155.575 M.M.
by 66.675 M.M.				
200 Piastres.	6-3/8"	x	2-13/16"	" 161.925 x 71.44 M.M.
500 Piastres.	6-5/8"	x	3"	" 168.275 x 76.2 M.M.

The Banque officials have no working knowledge of inches so the approximate equivalent in millimeters was given along with the measurements in inches.

At that time they wanted the face of the note to carry a vignette of the Palace of Independence with an ornate denominational back.

It then developed that a delivery would be required in Saigon on or before October 15, 1955 and the quantities required would be 60 Million 100 Piastres notes and 6 Million 500 Piastres notes. At that time they did not know what subject to use on the face of the 500 denomination and were also undecided about the back design. I telegraphed you this information and hoped a reply would be received in Saigon the following day.

Monday June 27 1955. At 10am. I again conferred with the Governor and Deputy Governor - it was then decided to use a vignette of the Townhall (Cityhall) for the 100 denomination and the vignette of the Palace of Independence on the 500 denomination.

At that time I had with me the book of specimens and the Central Bank of the Philippine models which were no longer required by that institution. The idea of showing the models was to impress on the Governor the amount of work necessary in the designing of

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Saigon

SUBJECT

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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JUL 12 1955

to

New York

DATE

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currency models. Their ideas of designs changed frequently and after considerable time they decided on notes as outlined in the enclosed instructions.

6/28
The Governor had some doubt about the security afforded by a plain back (without vignette) I informed him the US currency in denominations of 500 to 100,000 dollars all carry plain backs which were referred to as ornate because of the fancy denominational figures which took the place of the vignette. and they seemed satisfied.

After some discussion they expressed a desire to have the backs as explained in my letter of instructions - with, of course, the appropriate changes. In my telegram of June 27, of the correct measurements of the 500 denomination were given as 6-5/8" x 3".

Tuesday June 28 at 9a.m. I called on the US Consul and then on the Ambassador, he was out so I left a card then proceeded to the Banque Nationale, in the hope of finding a cable in which you would give some indication as to whether or not the work could be undertaken and what quantities might be shipped by air to arrive here before October 15. No cable had arrived.

We made inquiries at the telegraph office and found that your (L.T.) telegram of the 27 was being held and would not be delivered until late in the day; after much personal negotiating at the cable office I managed to obtain the telegram.

I showed your telegram to the Governor and Deputy Governor both were very disappointed no mention was made of possible deliveries, in the afternoon I sent you a straight telegram which you should have received this morning (June 28) in the hope you would reply giving us some encouragement about possibilities of meeting the Banques delivery requirements.

Wednesday June 29, No telegram received, I checked with the telegraph office several times; with the Majestic Hotel and with the Banque Nationale. The Governor expects to have the photographs of the Town Hall and of the Palace of Independence ready to-day if so I will air mail them to you immediately.

The Banque must have notes of the new issue here before October 15 in order to retire old Institute de Emission notes. Price will I suppose be a factor, however, since they must have notes price will have to be a second consideration.

I would recommend your acknowledging all telegrams and if you cannot reply at that time then indicate when a reply can be expected.

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Far Eastern Representative:

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to

currency models. Their ideas of design and proportionality and after considerable time they decided on notes as contained in the enclosed instructions.

The government had some doubts about the security of the plain back (without vignettes) I informed the Treasury in communications of 500 to 100,000 dollars and carry plain back which were referred to as a change because of the heavy denominational figures which took the place of the vignettes and they seemed satisfied.

After some discussion they expressed a desire to have the back as explained in my letter of instructions - with, of course, the appropriate changes. In my telegram of June 2, the correct measurements of the 500 denomination were given as 6-3/8" x 3".

Thursday June 10 at 2 P.M. I called on the US Consul and then on the Ambassador, he was out so I left a card then proceeded to the Legation. In the hope of finding a cable in which you would give some indication as to whether or not the work could be undertaken and what quantities might be shipped by air to arrive here before October 15. The cable has arrived.

I made inquiries at the Legation office and found that your (A.T.) telegram of June 27 was being held and would not be delivered until late in the day; after much personal negotiating at the Legation office I managed to obtain the telegram.

I showed your telegram to the Governor and Deputy Governor who were very disappointed no action was made of possible delivery. In the afternoon I sent you a short telegram which you should have received this morning (January 10) in the hope you would reply giving me some encouragement about possibilities of meeting the delivery requirements.

Wednesday June 27, no telegram received. I checked with the Legation office several times; with the result that the government was not ready to give the photographs of the new back until the 1st of July. I will still have to go ready to say it so I will still have to go.

The phone man has moved to the new building and therefore October 15 in order to receive the first of the new notes. Price will be a factor, however, since we must have notes price will have to be a second consideration.

I would recommend your postponing all telegrams and if you cannot reply at that time then indicate when a reply can be expected.

Very respectfully,
[Signature]

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Ngan-Hang Quoc-Gia Viet-Nam
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Saigon

to

New York

DATE June 29 1955

M. M. W.

JUL -C 1955

Attached are the following:-

Titles and signatures of the signing officers

In the signature panel show the title of the signing officer above the signature

The title is to be written in Viet-Nam as indicated by the pencil lines:

The Penalty Clause

to be shown on the back of the notes at the bottom.
the clause is composed of two lines, it can be shown in either one or two lines, however the accent marks must be followed carefully;

Name of the Bank to be shown on the Banknotes is

Ngan-Hang Quoc-Gia Viet-Nam

Viet-Nam spelling of the various denominations are listed, follow the accent marks carefully - the horizontal stroke through the vertical line of the letter D in Dong is an accent mark the French call this a "crossed" D.

MOT = One HAI = TWO NAM = Five TRAM = HUNDRED

Ngan = Thousand DONG = Piastres

[Signature]
Far Eastern Representative

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see 8/1
see 8/2

June 29-1955

Name of Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

nom de la Banque N-Kinh: **NGÂN-HÀNG QUỐC-GIA VIỆT-NAM**

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Clause pénale:

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PHÁT RA**

disregard this penalty clause

The penalty clause is written on a separate sheet.

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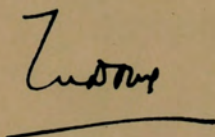
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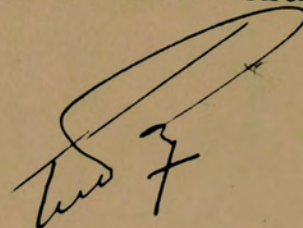
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Spécimen de la signature
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Spécimen de la signature
du Caissier Central,



Traduction des mentions à faire figurer
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au-dessus des signatures :

Contrôleur Général	=	TÔNG KIỂM-TRA
Caissier Central	=	THỦ-QUÝ TRUNG-ƯƠNG

in the signature panel show the title of the signing officer
above the signature.

The title is to be in Viet-Nam writing as indicated by the
pencil lines drawn above.

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**HÌNH LỤT PHẠT KHỔ-SAI NHỮNG KẺ NÀO LÀM GIẢ MẠO
GIẤY BẠC DO NGÂN-HÀNG QUỐC-GIA VIỆT-NAM PHÁT RA**

This is the penalty clause
to be shown on the back of
Viet-Nam notes

follow accent marks carefully.

3.55.

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

SUBJECT

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

DATE

June 30 1955

Saigon

to

New York

*Copy to
Plant with
7/6/55
enclosed*

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Photograph of the Town Hall (Toa Do Sanh)

M. M. W.

JUL -C 1955

The following are to be eliminated

Statues over the second floor (These are French and will soon be removed from the building.)

All the flags on the second floor

All motorcars ; pedestrians and the buildings across the street on the right side of the photograph

Remove the bulletin board which is against the building to the right.

Also remove the four lamp posts.

Palace of Independence .

TWO photos are enclosed, you can take your choice if the large photo is used eliminate the flag pole

The smaller photo seems to be quite attractive. and if used eliminate the people where-ever they might be

J. M. W.
Far Eastern Representative

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New York

to

M. M. W.
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the left.

Also remove the four flag posters.

Notice of Independence.

The photos are enclosed, you can take your choice
in the large photo is best eliminate the flag pole

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and it need eliminate the people wherever they might be

RECEIVED NATIONAL BANK OF NEW YORK

RECEIVED DEPT.
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JUL - 6 1955

Saigon to NY

Wm P. Hunt

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M. M. W.

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I was informed the President of Security was leaving NY June 28 however that was probably his expected departure date. I now definitely know Hunt applied for a visa, at the Viet-Nam Washington Embassy, which has not yet been granted and as things go he may have to wait for sometime.

I am using a french typewriter, it has a strange keyboard and is in poor condition;; Saigon is extremely hot and humid and in addition to a nasty summer cold also a product of Saigon, I am in need of dental attention. I might add this is a very expensive town.

H. M. W.
Far Eastern Representative.

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO

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JUL -8 1955

American Embassy,
Saigon, June 30, 1955

J. W. B.
JUL -7 1955

Mr. Henry G. J. McNeary
55 rue Pierre Flandin, Apt. 21
Saigon

Dear Mr. McNeary:

The Ambassador has asked me to thank you for your card and to say that he would be glad to see you if you can come to call on him at the Embassy on Friday, July 1, at 4:30 p.m.

Sincerely yours,

Richard W. Kautsky

Richard W. Kautsky

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SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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OF PRESENT SCHEDULES stop WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO TELEGRAPH FULLY TUESDAY
JULY FIFTH stop PLEASE BE ASSURED WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING PHYSICALLY
POSSIBLE, IN FULL APPRECIATION OF BANKS CONFIDENCE stop DO NOT NEED PESOS
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Mr. W. F. Colclough, Jr.
President

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Trip to Washington, D. C. - June 30th

The main objectives of my trip to Washington were to determine -

- 1) Whether anyone in Washington had definite knowledge concerning the specifications for the proposed new issue of notes in Viet-Nam,
- 2) What the status of negotiations might be at this time,
- 3) Whether Security's representative had been working around Washington, and
- 4) Whether the U. S. Government (FOA) would finance the issue.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION (FOA)

Since the latter objective was really the prime motivation for the trip, I called first on the FOA. The people that I had known there before had all been transferred and I was referred to Mr. Thomas McCormick who that very morning had assumed the duties of Chief of the Indochina Area.

Mr. McCormick advised me that the FOA Mission to Viet-Nam had submitted a proposal requesting that Washington provide dollars to purchase a new issue of bank notes, all denominations, whether bought in England, France or the United States. He said that a decision would be reached within the next few days and that I should call him early next week.

When I commented that I believed American business would find it disappointing for the U. S. Government to allot taxpayers' money to provide payments to foreign firms in competition with our own, Mr. McCormick replied that the FOA would probably decide that funds would be made available to the Bank of Viet-Nam on the condition that they be spent in the United States, on the basis of the most reasonable price offered. He added that another provision of the allocation would concern bank note plates, which FOA believed should not be turned over to the Bank of Viet-Nam.

I replied that it had been traditional with us never to accept an order unless the plates remained in our custody, for re-use or eventual destruction in accordance with the instructions of the customer. I also pointed out to Mr. McCormick that any provision specifying that the notes should be purchased from the lowest U. S. bidder would be short-sighted, and gave my reasons therefor.

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Mr. McCormick said that the FOA in Washington was not informed of the specifications for the notes and would not be interested in that aspect. He said that Security's Washington representative had been to see them a few days previously and remarked that he would probably be going to Viet-Nam. From the description of the representative which Mr. McCormick gave me, I concluded his visitor had been Bill Hunt. I later confirmed this as well as the fact that the glamorous Thomas Burke, although still resident in Washington, is no longer actively representing Security.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

As I could not get an appointment at the Treasury Department during the morning, I next called at the Department of State. Mr. Hoey, on the Viet-Nam desk, with whom I had talked before in Washington, knew of the proposed new issue of notes but was unaware of the details, except that FOA had been asked to provide funds. He said that inasmuch as Viet-Nam had no money to purchase notes, the State Department would undoubtedly support an FOA decision to allocate the necessary funds to the Bank. Mr. Hoey was sure that any FOA funds thus provided would be earmarked for expenditure only in the United States.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

In the afternoon I called on Mr. Dickens, Chief of the Far Eastern Division, Bureau of International Finance, and his assistant, Mr. Hirschritte. (It was there that I also ran into Mr. Herbert May, about whom I have reported in a separate memorandum).

The Treasury Department recently had again been approached by Viet-Nam requesting names of representatives in the Far East for American bank note companies. The names of McNeary and Hunt were provided. Mr. Dickens and Mr. Hirschritte had no information concerning specifications or other details of the current negotiations except that they, too, were aware of the fact that the FOA had been asked for money. Mr. Hirschritte said that Viet-Nam had francs and pounds sterling and would probably prefer spending them in France and England but that, if necessary, could, without excessive difficulty, convert them into U.S. dollars. He believed, however, that the U. S. would decide to permit Viet-Nam to retain these reserves and offer U. S. funds for the purchase of notes, particularly if they were ordered in the United States.

EMBASSY OF VIET-NAM

With the knowledge of the State Department and FOA I made an appointment with the Ambassador of Viet-Nam, who received me most courteously. He had recently informed his Government that our representative was in the Far East (it was apparently for this reason that McNeary received the telegram direct from the Government of the Bank of Viet-Nam).

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When I told the Ambassador that Mr. McNeary was now at Saigon, he replied that he was aware of his presence there and of his having received an order for bank notes. When I said that we had not yet received an order, he said that he was surprised for he had heard the negotiations had been consummated. He added then, that if we had not yet received the order, he had every reason to know that we would.

The Ambassador had heard that ABNCo. was the best bank note firm and offered the highest quality and security. He said that security was very important in this instance for his Government was fearful that the French would use old plates and flood the country with unauthorized notes. In an aside he remarked that I must be aware of the fact that there was not much love today between Viet-Nam and France. I quickly commented that if Viet-Nam wanted notes completely distinct from the European products that had formerly been used and with maximum security, the Bank could not do better than order from the ABNCo. I then discussed with him the dangers of price consideration when quality and security were so vital. He replied that his Government was well aware of this and would not fall into the error of purchasing inferior products at cheaper prices.

The Ambassador asked me if we could deliver notes by October 15th and I said that customarily we would need at least six months but that by making a very special effort we might, in a desire to cooperate fully with Viet-Nam, find a way to meet this requirement. I added that of course we could not be sure until we had carefully studied our schedules for the next few months.

The Ambassador thanked me for calling, hoped I would return again soon and concluded by saying he knew that we would be enjoying a close relationship as regards the proposed new issue of bank notes.

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SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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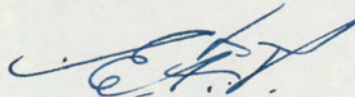
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In telephone conversation today with Mr. Thomas F. Creamer, Assistant Vice President, The First National City Bank of New York, I was given the following information as to the procedure in opening letters of credit to cover shipments abroad for which the F.O.A. guarantees payment:

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Treasurer

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9/5/55

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with major tint face
1 Steel 7 + 1 Steel 13.

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5.00	for air	6

No Tint - 875

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651,000 avg 985 (with tint)

No tint 525,000
735

598,500 avg 907 (without tint)

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Vietnam

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60 mil
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Nov. approx - 1,200,000

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No Tint Beg Oct 10 - 600,000

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Nov approx. 6,000,000
thereafter approx 7 million monthly

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for 200th

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Beijing Oct 28 - 300,000

Nov 9 - 500,000

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" 23 - 200,000

Dec 7 - 1,500,000

" 21 - 1,500,000

Jan 4 - 3,000,000

" 18 - 3,500,000

Every 2 weeks thereafter
3,500,000

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Oct 28 - 200,000

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FACESText Titles and denominations in words as per instructions attached.Vignette City Hall for 100. Independence Hall for 500Border See material attached.

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BACKSText Penalty clause on both, denominations and other as per material attached.Border Designs as per instructions attached. Use vignette of Phoenix on the 100.

Color

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Detailed instructions, as submitted by Mr. McNary, are submitted herewith. Please note emphasis given to importance of copying Viet-Nam words (dashes, accents, etc.) exactly.

When models are completed, in addition to usual number of photographs furnish for the Banque, in actual size of models, 2 photographs each of faces and backs of both denominations.

A. L. S.

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Mr. White

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70 Broad St., New York 4, NY

July 6, 1953

MCNEARY
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SAIGON (Vietnam)

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Reurtel 6th letters 282930 Enclosures received stop. For steel engraved intaglio printed notes full major tint on faces quote nine fifty and thirteen fifty per thousand denominations 100 and 500 quantities sixty and six million respectively or total six hundred fiftyone thousand US dollars CIF Saigon ocean freight from NewYork including cost war risk insurance but exclusive consular fees exchange taxes and any other taxes or imposts any increase present freight and insurance rates customers account stop Based on approval models and proofs by Vietnam Embassy can have initial quantity approximately 300,000 notes 100 denomination ready shipment latter part October 1,200,000 November 3,000,000 December and 6,000,000 monthly thereafter stop Can begin 500 denomination latter part October approximately 200,000 continuing 2,000,000 monthly stop Respectfully recommend omission major tint other details exactly same following style US currency permitting quotation eight seventyfive and twelve twentyfive per thousand respectively or total fivehundred ninetyeight thousand fivehundred dollars stop On no tint basis can begin lower denomination October tenth with approximately 600,000 additional 1,000,000 October 19 6,000,000 November and 7,000,000 monthly thereafter stop Can begin 500 piastres approximately 200,000 October tenth additional 300,000 October 19 and 2,000,000 monthly thereafter stop We have Phoenix engraved stop Above figures based our planchette banknote paper and packed 500 to band 10,000 to package and cased 100,000 stop Terms irrevocable letter credit confirmed Newyork Bank payable against shipping documents or certificate manufacture if shipping facilities not available contract to contain customary force majeure and custody clauses stop FOA Washington suggests details payment arrangement be discussed their Mr. Barrow Saigon stop Are informed air shipments

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70 Broad St.

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if desired would run approximately \$5.00 per thousand notes additional
to above prices stop As you realize we are going all out in effort meet
urgent needs Bank Please telegraph immediately

W. F. COLCLOUGH

FLS

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see 7/21/55
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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
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Memorandum for the Files

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

W. E. C.
JUL -8 1955
E. F. P.
JUL -8 1955
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Mr. Thomas J. McCormick, FOA Washington (Sterling 3-6400, Ext. 2884 or 2885) advised me today by telephone that his organization had decided to act favorably on Viet-Nam's request for funds with which to issue new bank notes. Final approval is contingent on certain commitments by Viet-Nam, such as agreement to use the funds for the purchase of notes manufactured in the United States.

Mr. McCormick was sure that Viet-Nam would accept all the conditions and suggested that our Mr. McNeary get in touch with FOA's Mr. Barrows in Saigon to work out details of the terms of payment. Mr. McCormick assured me that financing by Viet-Nam would be no problem, explaining that even though there were a hitch in the present FOA negotiations, Viet-Nam had sufficient funds now in New York banks to give us the proper letter of credit.

Mr. McCormick asked if I realized that Bill Hunt was either in Saigon or on his way there. I said we were informed, and certainly hoped that if Viet-Nam seriously considered quality and security to be important factors of the proposed note issue, as the Ambassador of Viet-Nam had explained to me, the Banque would not make the mistake of ordering on the basis of price alone, an incentive which I was sure would be held out by less experienced and less competent companies than ABNCo. Mr. McCormick replied that of one thing he was sure, namely, that FOA funds would not be made available to Viet-Nam to purchase British notes, as had been originally proposed.

In conclusion, Mr. McCormick said that if we could get an order we need have no concern about Viet-Nam's ability to accept our terms of payment.

Thuray M. Wise
Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

Memorandum for the Files:

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July 7, 1955

Irrevocable Letters of Credit under Foreign
Operations Administration (F.O.A.),
Washington, D. C.

M. M. W.
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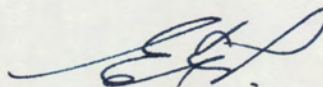
Referring to my memorandum of July 5th, Mr. Creamer of The First National City Bank of New York referred me today to Mr. Sauter, Assistant Vice President, who is head of the Bank's Commercial Credit Department.

I inquired as to whether it is possible for the Bank to open an irrevocable letter of credit in such form as to protect the contractor against excessive increases in freight and insurance charges. I explained that a prospective customer has objected to our terms of C.I.F. destination, any increase in freight and insurance charges above present rates to be for account of the customer.

Mr. Sauter advised that it is possible for the Bank to issue credits with the following wording:

"In addition to the C.I.F. value, the beneficiary may draw for any increase in freight and war risk rates within the amount of the credit."

He said that the Bank has to be guided by the maximum amount of the credit fixed by the Bank's customer.



EFP:ed

Treasurer

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

July 7, 1955

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Memorandum for the Files

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

File

When I telephoned Mr. McCormick of FOA today to inquire concerning the allotment of funds over and above the CIF value of a contract, for possible unforeseen contingencies, he referred me to FOA's Comptroller, Mr. Clayton Clark (Ext. 3871). He again suggested to me that our field representative get in touch with FOA's Mr. Barrow in Saigon.

Mr. Clark said that upon application by the customer, FOA would grant funds for contingencies up to 10% of the value of the contract, provided this additional sum is contemplated in the original negotiation and included in the letter of credit.

Mr. Clark said it might interest us to know that FOA does not authorize payments against certificates of manufacture.

Murray M. Wise
Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

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Mr. Wise:

I read this to Mr. Als
(at home today, a/c foot bothering
him again) & also to Mr. WEC.
Mr. JUB. is working on it
now & will let you know
what his best guess would be
as to add. amt. that could be involved.

12:40 p.m.

A.2.

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

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CAN YOU ACCOMMODATE DELETING CLAUSE

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W F COLCLOUGH

MMW:sg

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Yours 8th as we have made every sacrifice possible to obtain delivery promised
you/change will of necessity delay shipment stop Will do all possible minimize this
and upon receipt new material can be accurate stop Are we to assume major tint omitted.

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MMW:ALS:ed

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M. M. W.
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RECOMMEND CITIBANK REQUEST CABLE CONFIRMATION GOVERNOR ADVISES
WRITING RUSH EARLIEST POSSIBLE SHIPMENT TELEGRAPH SCHEDULE

Sender Henry Mc Neary Apartment 21 55 Rue Flandin Sent July 9th 1955

Henry Mc Neary

400 710 1322



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Sender Henry Mc Neary Apartment 21 55 Rue Flandin Sent July 9th 1955

[Handwritten signature]

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REC'D WITH *Hgme* LETTER *7/11/55*

W. F. C.

JUL 14 1955

A. L. S.

JUL 14 1955

Saigon
July 9 1955

H. E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon.

E. W. W.
JUL 18 1955

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Your Excellency:

Pursuant to my conversation of yesterday afternoon with His Excellency The Premier and yourself; I wish to confirm that I have telegraphed my NewYork office informing them of the decision to change the face vignettes of both the 100 and 500 denominations and that the new vignette subjects might be airmailed from Saigon to NewYork on July 9th. In order that you will be well informed as to what effect the change will have on the proposed shipment schedule, I asked NewYork to telegraph what change in shipment, if any, would result.

This morning I received NewYork's telegram which reads as follows - " Your telegram of 8th we have made every sacrifice possible to obtain the shipments promised you stop the change in vignettes will of necessity delay shipments stop we will do all possible to minimize this delay and upon receipt of new material we can be accurate stop are we to assume major-tint is to be omitted".

During my conversation of this morning with you, it was my thought that the delay in shipping might be materially minimized if His Excellency The Premier would approve the two new vignette subjects which Mr Bui Kien Thanh ordered at the Ton That Dung photograph shop yesterday evening. If this material could be approved to-day it would be possible to airmail it immediately to NewYork thus saving much valuable time.

I would also like to confirm that it is my understanding that the face of both the 100 and 500 denominations are to be in one steel color and are not to carry the major-tint. I shall appreciate it if you will kindly inform me if my understanding with regard to omitting the major-tint is correct.

With assurances of my highest esteem,

Yours very truly

[Signature]

Far Eastern Representative.

HMN

Rec 7/18/55
Rec 7/21/55

It was important that I should have some sort of a reply from you today. -
the Governor leaves for Phnom Penh tomorrow and he must have the info
requested. -

for my
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Viet Nam Notes

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NEWYORK

M. M. W.

AUG 16 1955

HAVE YOUR RECEIVED ^{my} TELEGRAM [✓] ~~NINER~~ CONFIRMING EVERYTHING
DEFINITIVE ETCETERA RUSH ^{first} SHIPMENTS TELEGRAPH SCHEDULE

[Signature]
Sender H. M. Mc Neary Apartment 21 55 Rue Flandin Sent July 10.1955

It was important that I should have some sort of a reply from you today.
The Governor leaves for Rhine on tomorrow and he must have the info
requested.

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W. M. W.
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P.B.N.C.O.



AUG 10 1955

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

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SUBJECT

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.
New Vignette material.

to

New York

DATE July 10 1955

M. M. W.

JUL 14 1955

Confirming exchange of telegrams.

Ours July 8th in part.

interviewed the Premier with Governor - for psychological reasons Premier insists changing both face vignettes new subjects pagoda and incense burner expect airmail photographs tomorrow will change effect shipping schedule.

Your telegram of July 8.

Yours of 8th we have made every sacrifice possible to obtain delivery promised you change will of necessity effect shipment stop will do all possible to minimize this and upon receipt of new material can be accurate stop are we to assume major tint omitted colclough.

Because of the French influence in both the vignette of the Town Hall and of the Independence Palace the Premier considered them definitely unsuited for the new notes. The Premier made an all-out effort to obtain suitable subjects without delay, telegrams were sent to the interior to have the pagoda photographed and the film rushed to Saigon by special plane, that will take care of the face vignette for the 100 denomination. The problem then remained to find a proper subject for the 500 denomination, The Premier decided on a composition of a farmer working the land with a tractor, this being allegorical of the land reform. Photographs were ordered made of such a scene and a number were taken and submitted to the Premier for his approval.

The photograph which the Premier and Governor want used for the vignette of the 500 denomination is enclosed it is marked - "for 500 denomination and on the back is marked No. 1 -

It gives a close up of the plowed ground - the farmer the tractor and the attractive cloud effect.

They want the background of the photo marked - "background" No. 2 to be included in this scene.

This will give the vignette a more horizontal composition than vertical.

The engraved vignette should be of reasonably good size so that all the features of - plowed foreground - tractor & farmer sky effect - and background can be seen

please have the vignette attractively set off in a suitable frame. The Governor especially asked to have the vignette of good tonal values.

The background includes the field and trees to the right and left as shown in the "background" photo.

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Saigon

SUBJECT

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
New Vignette Material.

to

New York

Sunday

DATE July 10 1955

E. W. W.
JUL 15 1955

The Premier is apparently keen about the details of the tractor and of the freshly plowed foreground, for that reason he is said to have picked photo No.1 - However he is reported to like the background effect in Photo No.2 which shows some unplowed field and trees.

Vignette for 100 denomination.

The vignette for the 100 denomination is the Pagoda, everything in the photo is to be shown with the exception of the few branches in the upper right of the picture. In the engraving show a cloud effect similar to that of the farming scenes, this is a typical South Viet-Nam cloud effect. Kindly make this vignette as large as possible.

Omit- Major-tint.

they have definitely decided to have notes without the major-tint.

Color of notes.

Yesterday the Premier thought of having the notes in the same color combination as the US currency; face black with green back, however they will decide on the colors tomorrow.

This material will be sent through the kindness of Mr Deane of FOA, he leaves Saigon tomorrow for Washington, he has offered to contact you and I have asked him to brief you on the situation, he has been in frequent contact with the Governor of the Banque so is in a position to give you much inside information.

P.S. (appeared on duplicate) John G Dean arrives at Idelwild on AirFrance flight 071 Thursday July 14th at 9 A M. He will proceed to Washington and can be located through State Dept So East Asia Section in between planes enroute to Washington he will visit his Mother whose address is 2 Kensington Rd Scardale, N.Y.

HMN

H. G. Dean
Far Eastern Representative

Sunday.

The Governor has been to see me several times today I received the photos of the farmer at noon and of the pagoda at 5.30pm:

He claims there will be no more changes and is very anxious to have your shipment schedule.

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SUBJECT:

Bw. Cent. Rep. Dominicana

File: Viet-Nam

M. M. W.

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Mr. W. W.

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Colors of 1 Bw note of above are:

Face - Rotary Black

Back - 1 Green

Suggest if a specimen is to be sent it
be one from an early order prior to use
of fluorescent ink unless the latter is
to be featured for Viet-Nam

JWS 7/11/55

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To

MCNEARY (H. G. McNEARY)
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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"Via" MACKAY RADIO

Urtenth Will meet Dean stop Immediate advice new colors would greatly assist.

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10:30 a.m.

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TRACTOR 100 FACE BACK SAME COLORS US CURRENCY TELEGRAPH OUR
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"Via RADIO MACKAY"

Yours eleventh models ready approximately week after receipt all materials stop
Since much preliminary work already done in colors originally selected are
continuing models without color change stop Definitive selection will be needed
when ready pull die proofs stop Our corresponding colors US currency are face
Rotary Black and back One Green stop Apparently countries have different
conceptions Phenix we fear our engraving distinct from oriental Send immediately
print bank's conception stop This will naturally require new engraving and time
unless it decided omit same completely.

MMW:ALS:ed

5 p.m.

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JUL 18 1955

JUL 14 1955 Saigon
July 9th 1955
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H. E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

Your Excellency:

This letter will confirm the various telegrams received by me from my NewYork office relative to the instructions and the vignette material sent to NewYork under date of June 28, 29 and 30th; all three letters were sent in one cover, airmailed in Saigon on June 30th and received in NewYork on July 6th.

The detailed instructions regarding the designing of the notes were covered by my letter of June 28th which I had the pleasure of sending to you so that you could approve it before it was sent to NewYork and I am pleased the details outlined in my instructions met with your approval.

On July 7th I received the following telegram from NewYork giving our quotation and a schedule of shipments which we would make, based on the instructions and the vignette material received by NewYork at that time. It was then your intention to use a vignette of the Town Hall on the face of the 100 denomination and of the Palace of Independence for the face of the 500 denomination.

NewYork's telegram of July 6th received on July 7th, follows.

"Reurtel 6th letters 28 29 30 enclosures received stop for steel engraved intaglio printed notes full major-tint on face quote nine fifty and thirteen fifty per thousand denomination 100 and 500 quantities sixty and six million respectively or total six hundred fiftyone thousand US dollars cif Saigon ocean freight from NewYork including cost war risk insurance but exclusive consular fees exchange taxes or any other taxes or imposts any increase present freight and insurance rates customers account stop based on approval models and proofs by Viet-Nam Embassy can have initial quantity approximately 300,000 notes 100 denomination ready shipment latter part October 1, 200,000 November 3,000,000 December and 6,000,000 monthly thereafter stop

See 7/18

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E. W. W.
JUL 18 1955

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can begin 500 denomination latter part October approximately 200,000 continuing 2,000,000 monthly stop respectfully recommend omission major-tint other details exactly same following style US currency permitting quotation eight seventyfive and twelve twentyfive per thousand respectively or total fivehundred ninety-eight thousand fivehundred dollars stop no tint basis can begin lower denomination October tenth with approximately -600,000 additional 1,000,000 October 19- 6,000,000 November and 7,000,000 monthly thereafter stop can begin 500 piastres approximately 200,000 October Tenth additional 300,000 October 19 and 2,000,000 monthly thereafter stop we have Phoenix engraved stop above figures based our planchette banknote paper and packed 500 to band 10,000 to package and cased 100,000 stop terms irrevocable letter credit confirmed NewYork Bank payable against shipping documents or certificate manufacture if shipping facilities not available contract to contain customary forex majeure and custody clauses stop FOA Washington suggests details payment arrangement be discussed their Mr Barrows Saigon stop are informed air shipments if desired would run approximately dollars 5.00 per thousand notes additional, to above price stop as you realize we are going all out in effort meet urgent needs Bank please telegraph immediately. W.F.Colclough Jr.

The original of the foregoing telegram was given to Your Excellency and that the matter would be taken up with His Excellency The Premier the following day at which time a final decision would be reached; the clause in the telegram relating to "any increase in present freight and insurance rates for the customers account" which you asked to be deleted, was referred to NewYork and on July 8th they replied that they deeply regretted they were unable to delete customary clause, the telegram reads as follows.

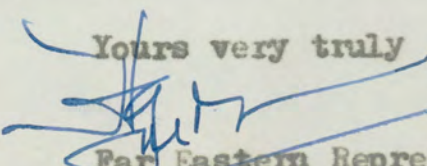
"Urseventh we quote lowest price based solely on costs not contemplating possibility increases freight insurance rates therefore sincerely regret unable delete customary clause stop stop if FOA money involved understand Banque can request contingency fund ten percent above cif value contract but must be included in original letter of credit stop any unused contingency fund would revert to source stop should figures surrounding clock photograph Independence Palace be eliminated W.F.Colclough Jr. President.

I have attached a summary of the telegram of June 6th showing the prices and proposed shipping schedule of that time.

Please be assured everything possible will be done to meet your delivery requirements, every hour is very precious and so I sincerely trust you will have the new vignette material ready this coming Monday.

With assurances of my highest esteem,

Yours very truly


Far Eastern Representative

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July

Summary of telegram sent from NewYork June 6th 1955
giving prices and proposed shipping schedule based on
instructions sent NewYork under date of June 28th.

E. W. W.
JUL 18 1955

For steel engraved and intaglio printed bank notes with full
major-tint on face of notes, one steel color face and back.

Price per thousand notes.

60,000,000	100	Denomination	\$ 9.50	=	\$570,000.00
6,000,000	500	Denomination	13.50	=	81,000.00
					<u>\$651,000.00</u>

total price US Dollars Sixhundred-and-Fiftyone thousand
US currency Cif Saigon by ocean freight.

100 Denomination Shipment schedule from NewYork.

latter part of October	300,000	notes
during November	1,200,000	notes
during December	3,000,000	notes
monthly thereafter	6,000,000	notes

500 Denomination.

latter part of October	200,000	notes
monthly thereafter	2,000,000	notes

For steel engraved and intaglio printed bank notes one steel
color face and back but without major-tint on the face of notes

Price per thousand notes.

60,000,000	100	Denomination	\$ 8.75	=	\$525,000.00
6,000,000	500	Denomination	12.25	=	73,500.00
					<u>\$598,500.00</u>

total price US currency Fivehundred-&-Ninetyeight thousand
FiveHundred dollars Cif Saigon by ocean freight.

100 denomination shipment schedule from NewYork.

October 10th	600,000	notes
October 19th	1,000,000	notes
November	6,000,000	notes
monthly thereafter	7,000,000	notes

500 Denominations.

October 10th	200,000	notes
October 19th	300,000	notes
monthly thereafter	2,000,000	notes

Based on the approval of models and proofs by the Viet-Nam Embassy.- The urgency of an early shipment will not permit the time to send models to Saigon for approval, equipment having been assigned for this special emergency any delay in the approval of models will be costly and upset the above shipment schedule.

Packing. We have developed an extraordinary secure method of packing. Notes are banded in units of 500 - 10,000 notes in a sealed kraft paper package duly labeled, 100,000 notes to a metal lined, steel strapped wooden case, securely nailed and fastened with special fasteners to avert undetected opening of the cases in transit.

Summary of telegram sent from NewYork on June 6th 1955

E. W. B.
JUL 18 1955

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Air Shipments from NewYork to Saigon.

If air shipments are required, we are informed the air freight charges will be approximately US Dollars 5.00 (Five Dollars) per thousand notes additional to the Cif prices quoted.

Custody Clause.

The engravings from which this work will be printed shall always remain in the custody of the American Bank Note Co or they can be destroyed in our premises upon receipt of written instructions from the proper authority of the Banque.

Cif Saigon.

Covers ocean freight from NewYork inclusive of cost of war risk insurance but exclusive of consular fees - exchange taxes - and any other taxes or imposts: any increase in present freight and insurance rates are to be for buyers account.

Force Majeure Clause.

Our proposal is made with the understanding that our performance must necessarily be subject to strikes, accidents or other causes of delay beyond our control.

Terms of Payment.

are an irrevocable letter of credit confirmed by a NewYork Bank, payable against shipping documents or our certificate of manufacture if shipping facilities are not available. It is desirable to make provision for any increase in present freight and insurance rates by a contingency fund of ten percent above the Cif price of contract, this to be included in the letter of credit any unused contingency fund would revert to source.

Planchetted Bank Note Paper.

We use only one quality of bank note paper, it is made exclusively for us by Crane & Co of Dalton Mass, makers of the bank note paper used by the US Government for the printing of US currency. Many years ago we developed "planchettes" which are mixed and woven into the pulp at the time of the manufacture of the paper, the planchettes possess certain auxiliary protective values not present in other bank note papers:

Plant.

Our modern, fireproof and carefully guarded engraving and printing plant is located in the Bronx section of NewYork City and occupies an entire city block with wide streets on all four sides. Every detail of the manufacture of our notes, including their engraving and printing, is executed therein. All work is done by our own highly trained artists and craftsmen, entirely within our premises, thus insuring effective controls of all phases of the work. Well-developed safeguards are employed throughout the entire course of

Summary of telegram sent from NewYork on June 6th 1955

W. F.
JUL 18 1955

designing, engraving and printing.

Safeguards and Controls.

We maintain a complete record of the bank note paper issued for every order and of its daily disposition. Every precaution is taken during the manufacturing procedures to give the customer complete protection. This is accomplished through a well-organized, modern system of security controls which are subject to the examination of the Banque Nationale at any time during the preparation of the order and thereafter.

General.

During more than a century and a half of experience we have established definite standards of artistry in designing, engraving and printing of bank notes, and have developed factors which we know are necessary to guard against the danger of successful counterfeiting. These standards have resulted from ever-progressing technical processes developed exclusively by us. Our work is of the highest quality and greatest security obtainable anywhere in the world. The American Bank Note Company's record of management responsibility and complete control over every detailed operation is internationally recognized.

Colors of both denominations.

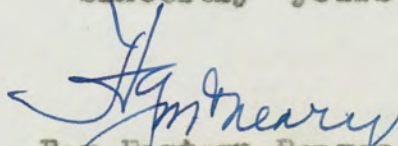
a change in color of both denominations, I understand has been considered and I would appreciate it if you will kindly inform me at the earliest opportunity the exact colors you have decided to use for each denomination face and back.

We welcome this opportunity to serve you and the work entrusted to us will be undertaken with the utmost care and with the best interests of your Country and the Banque Nationale constantly in mind.

I shall be pleased if you will confirm acceptance of our quotation. With regard to the proposed change in vignettes, you of course realize, the change will of necessity cause some delay in our shipment schedule however we will do everything possible to minimize this and when NewYork receives the new vignette material they will telegraph a definite shipping schedule.

With assurances of my high regard,

Sincerely yours



Far Eastern Representative
American Bank Note Company.

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

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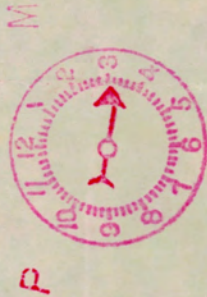
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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Saigon

SUBJECT

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Colors for the 100 & 500 Denominations

to

New York

DATE Monday 3pm July 11 1955

M. M. W.

JUL 14 1955

100 Denomination

The Premier and Governor would like to have the face and back of the 100 denomination in the same colors as the US currency. will you kindly telegraph me our corresponding color numbers.

The 500 Denomination

The 500 denomination is picked to be face of note No.8
 Blue - back of note 64 Orange.

Specimens for color.

Will you please send me 4 specimen notes showing each of the above 4 colors, it would probably have to be the backs which are in one color without a major tint

I have shown the Premier and the Governor our color chart but they prefer to see the colors on a specimen, so they can get an idea what the combination is like.

Banco Central de la Republic Dominicana 1 Peso

is the face and back color of the above note in the same colors as the US Currency and what are the color numbers in our book.

There is a language problem here and working through interpreters is not too satisfactory.

Models

When will the models be ready.?

HMN

H. M. W.
 Far Eastern Representative

3.55.
AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Saigon

SUBJECT

Vignette 500 Denomination
re Deletion of U.S. Aid Plaque and of Tractor
Manufacturer's Marks&Name.

to

New York

IMPORTANT

DATE Monday July 11 1955

E. W. Henry
JUL 18 1955

M. M. W.

JUL 14 1955

Re Photo No:1. Farm scene vignette for 500 Denomination

I called on Mr John G. Dean at 9.30 this morning and was informed the FOA/Embassy requested the deletion of the American Aid plaque from the radiator of the tractor and also to delete the name of the manufacturer of the tractor which appears on the tractor directly above the plaque. On the side of the hood over the exposed parts of the engine there is a name which must also be deleted. Mr Dean said he had informed the Governor of the Banque Nationale regarding this decision.

I then called on the Governor of the Banque Nationale and was informed he wished to have the American Aid Plaque and the tractor manufacturer's marks&name removed from the tractor. The Governor said he had cleared the foregoing instructions with the Premier.

The FOA&Embassy wished the plaque deleted in order to avoid any possible political embarrassment. Since FOA funds will pay for the notes FOA does not wish to be involved in advancing the interests of any one tractor manufacturer.

I trust this will be the last change.

IMPORTANT

E. W. Henry
Far Eastern Representative

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Bank Notes - Viet-Nam

Air Mail
July 12, 1955

Mr. H.G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam
79-81 rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

FILING
JUL 13 1955

Dear Mr. McNeary:

Pursuant to your cable of the 12th, we have just time to mail our Phoenix by air mail today. Accordingly, enclosed herewith is Specimen S71674, Fidelity Phenix Fire Insurance Company of New York, showing the bird as the central vignette.

Please return specimen as soon as it has served your purpose.

Sincerely,

Manager Foreign Department

Enclosure
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H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

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Your Excellency:

Pursuant to our conversation of July 11th with regard to our corresponding colors to those used by the Bureau of Engraving & Printing for the face and back of US currency and your provisional selection of colors for face and back of the 100 and 500 denominations also your inquiry as to when the models will be ready for approval and a request for specimen notes showing the colors of your provisional selection, I wish to confirm having telegraphed New York on July 11 as follows.-

"John Dean enroute with new vignette material it consists of Pagoda and another scene showing farmer operating tractor stop 100 denomination face and back to be same colors as US currency please telegraph our corresponding color numbers stop 500 denomination face 8 blue back 64 orange stop send specimen notes showing all 4 colors stop telegraph deadline for further color changes stop when will models be ready for approval".

To the above telegram my New York office replied and their cable was received this morning it reads as follows

"Yours eleventh will meet John Dean models will be ready for approval approximately one week after receipt of all material stop since we have completed much preliminary work already and as it is done in the colors originally selected and for reasons with which you are familiar we are continuing developing models without color change stop definite selection of colors will be needed before we are ready to pull the die proof stop our corresponding colors for US currency are for face ROTARY BLACK and for back ONE GREEN stop apparently countries have different conceptions of a PHOENIX we fear our engraving of the PHOENIX may be distinct from oriental conception send immediately print of Banks conception of a PHOENIX stop this will naturally require new engraving and additional time unless the Bank decides to omit the PHOENIX completely".

The above telegram contains important information especially regarding the PHOENIX - much time has already been lost by changing the vignettes and a change of the PHOENIX will cause some further delay - your instructions in this matter are urgently solicited.

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Re. Models- An official of my NewYork office will meet Mr. Dean, Thursday morning at NewYork's Idlewild airport, the new vignette material for the 100 and 500 denominations will have their immediate attention and since we have worked overtime and week-ends much preliminary work already been completed and so the completed models should be ready for approval on or about July 21. We would strongly advise that authority be telegraphed your Embassy to approve the models without delay so that we may advance to the next step of engraving. - The models as explained in a recent conversation will be in the colors originally selected - namely 11 BROWN for the face and back of the 100 denomination and 9 BLUE for the face and back of the 500 denomination; however the finished banknotes will be in the color you select and the deadline for the color selection will be just before we are ready to "pull the proofs", this date will be given you shortly after the models are approved.

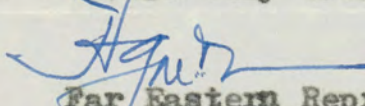
Re. Colors- Our corresponding colors to those of the US currency are - for the face ROTARY BLACK (which is not listed in our color book) and for the back of the note No.1-GREEN.

All of our inks are manufactured by us in our own premises according to our own secret formulas, they have been highly perfected over years of long experience in printing monetary documents and are possessed of long wearing qualities these inks are made exclusively for our own uses and ARE NOT AVAILABLE outside our plant. The US Governments Engraving and Printing Bureau also make their own inks under their own secret formulas and so the US Governments intaglio inks are not available outside their plant. NewYork has been asked to send specimen notes of the 4 colors you have selected.

The work is progressing and in order to avoid further delay in shipping we would appreciate receiving your decision regarding the PHOENIX and also written approval of our proposal and the authority to proceed.

With assurances of my high regard, I am

Yours very truly



Far Eastern Representative
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block funds without
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maximum vertical area possible stop If not acceptable only alternative although less
satisfactory because necessary reduction pagoda is raise bank title into upper border
drop denomination under pagoda vignette into lower border somewhat similar backs
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specimens in colors selected airmailed today stop Our regular numbering system upper
right and upper left on face stop Can finish models few days following receipt final
details Plan sending models instead photographs as can work from tintypes stop Shipping
delay at least equal every day being lost by engraving department stop Our storage
would depend on quantity and duration Believe Bank could arrange safe deposit facilities
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Mr. H.G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam
79-81 rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

E. W. M.
JUL 18 1955

Dear Mr. McNeary:

✓ As requested in your cable of the 13th and as we are ✓ advising in our cable of today, there are forwarded herewith ABNCo. specimen faces and backs showing colors selected by the Bank, namely, Rotary Black, 1 Green, 8 Blue and 64 Orange.

You will note that these colors have been pulled on our regular bank note, planchatted paper in order to give a true effect. However, as we pointed out in our cable of the 12th, the overall color effect always varies to some extent with the design and amount of engraving on a note.

Upon examining the two faces pulled in Rotary Black and 8 Blue, you will see that both are dark colors. The distinction between the two is barely discernible in certain lights and, accordingly, the Bank may find that our 9 Blue would be preferable.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures

Manager Foreign Department

see 7/21/55

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

YR FIFTEENTH APPROVED PAGODA 500 TRACTOR 100 PHOENIX
AIRMAILED TODAY NUMBERING APPROVED AIRMAIL WHICHVER MODELS
COMPLETED OTHER CAN FOLLOW EXPECT APPROVAL WITHOUT CHANGE
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JUL 18 1955

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Saigon

SUBJECT

PHOENIX FOR BACK OF 100 DENOMINATION

to

New York

DATE July 16 1955

Herewith the Banques conception of a Phoenix the plums which are shown, in a light yellow in the colored sketch are the birds tail feathers. The background white effect is representative of clouds. (This is also the old Chinese way of indicating cloud effect)

After all the engravings are completed and this sketch is no longer needed please return it to the Governor for his collection.

Ref your telegram 15th: Your recommendation to use the vignette of the Pagoda for the 500 denomination and the Farmer/Tractor Vignette for the 100 denomination is approved.

Models send the models as quickly as possible if the back showing the Phoenix is not ready at the same time as the other back and face models then forward the models which are ready, sending the remaining back model when completed.

Numbers: As per your telegram of the 15th - is to be our regular numbering system - numbers to be shown in upper right and upper left on the face of both denominations.

HMN

Far Eastern Representative

M. M. W.

JUL 21 1955

Copy sent to Mr. Marceau 8/1/55 Jm.

Material from N.Y. Public Library sent to Mr. Marceau; also box of Chinese tea showing Oriental Phoenix on cover. Wf.

JUL 27 1955



Salmon

to

New York

PHOENIX FOR BACK OF 100 DEMONSTRATION

SUBJECT

DATE JULY 16 1935

M. M. W.
JUL 21 1935

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colored sketch are the birds tail feathers. The background
white effect is representative of clouds. (This is also the
old Chinese way of indicating cloud effect)

After all the engravings are completed and this
sketch is no longer needed please return it to the Governor
for his collection.

Ref your telegram 15th: Your recommendation to use
the vignette of the legend for the 500 denomination and the
Barnet/Trester Vignette for the 100 denomination is approved.

Models send the models as quickly as possible if
the back showing the phoenix is not ready at the same time as
the other back and face models then forward the models which
are ready, sending the remaining back model when completed.

Numbers: As per your telegram of the 15th - is to be
our regular numbering system - numbers to be shown in upper
right and upper left on the face of both denominations.

Handwritten notes:
Patented Jan 14
1935
U.S. Pat. No. 2,100,000
to M. M. W.
for a
Phoenix
Banknote
design

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U.S. B.N. CO.
JUL 21 1935



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JUL 25 1955

Saigon July 16 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

Your Excellency:

I am today in receipt of the following telegram from NewYork advising having received the new vignette material, as a result of the change in vignettes NewYork strongly recommends that the Pagoda be used for the 500 denomination and the tractor for the 100 denomination, they are also anxious about the Phoenix which I trust will be ready for mailing today.

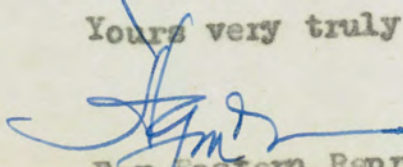
NewYork's telegram of July 15th

Yours 19th and 15th met John Dean vignette material received stop our designers strongly recommend better space and artistic arrangement by use Pagoda for 500 denomination and Tractor for 100 The Pagoda requires maximum vertical area possible stop if not acceptable only alternative although less satisfactory because necessary reduction Pagoda is to raise Bank title into upper border drop denomination under Pagoda vignette into lower border somewhat similar backs Ecuador & Paraguay notes stop advise immediately also about Phoenix stop ABNCO specimens in colors selected aimed today stop our regular numbering system to be used numbers in upper right and upper left on face stop can finish models few days following receipt final details and plan sending models instead photographs as can work from tintypes stop shipping delay at least equals every day being lost by engraving department stop in the event shipping facilities are not available our storage would depend on quantity and duration believe Bank could arrange vault facilities with its NewYork correspondent in case emergency stop."

Since the above change is of great importance I would appreciate it if you will approve NewYork's recommendation so that we will not lose valuable time.

With assurances of my high esteem, I am

Yours very truly


Far Eastern Representative

rec. 7/21/55

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JUL 25 1955

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

July 18, 1955

Memorandum for the Files:

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

A Mr. Louis Piana, of the Mercantile Metal & Ore Corporation, 595 Madison Avenue (MU 8-8212), telephoned to inquire whether we had representation in Indo-China.

His company had received a cable today from its representative in Saigon, suggesting that it urgently arrange to represent a bank note firm, preferably the ABNCo., in Viet-Nam, Cambodia and Laos, where new currency is soon to be issued.

I told Mr. Piana that we already had representation in that area and thanked him for the courtesy of calling us.

MMW:ed

Manay M. Wise
Manager Foreign Department

E. W. B.
JUL 20 1955

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J. W. B.
JUL 20 1955

A. L. S.
JUL 26 1955

Wrote Governor
8/24/55
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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Banque's letter of July 18 1955
file No.181-c/BN

Saigon to NewYork

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J. W. B.

M. M. W.

JUL 26 1955

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Herewith the Governor's letter of July 18th confirming order for the notes. I did not have an opportunity to have the letter translated. It no doubt contains some items which do not apply such as regards the design. I told the Governor on several occasions that the model was the important thing and that the bank notes would be engraved according to the approved model. He said that including these items was a matter of "filler" to make the letter look more detailed and that he appreciated that the model was the important thing and the basis for the design of the bank notes. ✓

Regarding the shipment schedule which he included, he had been advised numerous times in conversation that the schedule in your telegram of the 4th is based on approval of the models by the Viet-Nam Embassy in Washington and on the original vignette material of Town Hall and Palace of Independence etc (see my letter of July (9) 11th which he refers to) he said that including the shipping schedule was only a matter of form and that we were covered by Force Majeure and that he understood there would be a change in the shipping schedule because of the change in vignettes and in sending the models to Saigon for approval. and that the new shipping schedule would be a supplement.

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I believe the payment clause will meet with your approval the money in the NBC is to be blocked(total plus 10%) if they require air shipments additional funds will have to be set aside but at the present time it is not known whether or not air shipments will be necessary.

When sending your agreement, I would recommend that you send a translation, you will then know what sort of a French translation the Governor is reading. ?

HMN

Ign. Henry
Far Eastern Representative

A.L.S.
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M.M.W.
JUL 26 1955

W.W.B.

JUL 26 1955

Herewith the Governor's letter of July 26th containing
order for the letter. I did not have an opportunity to have
the letter translated. It no longer contains any of the
do not really such as regards the design. I told the Governor
on several occasions that the model was the important thing
and that the bank notes would be prepared according to the
approved model. He said that including these items was a matter
of "style" to make the letter look more official and that he
appreciated that the model was the important thing and the
basis for the design of the bank notes.

Regarding the original schedule which he mentioned,
he had been advised that there was a possibility that the
schedule in your possession of the - in based on approval of
the notes by the Vice-President in Washington and on the
original Vice-President of Town Hall and Palace of Congress
dated etc. (see my letter of July 15th which he refers to)
he said that including the original schedule was only a matter
of form and that he was covered by former letters and that he
understood there would be change in the original schedule
because of the change in Vice-President and in relation to the
to action for approval. However the new original schedule
will be a suggestion.

I believe the present plans will meet with your
approval and that in the 500 is to be placed (total five
10) if they require any changes and that I will leave
to be set aside at the present time it is not known whether
or not air shipment will be necessary.

When making your report, I would recommend
that you send a translation, you will then know
of a French translation the Governor.

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ORDER

Mr. A. R. Schomb, Chairman

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June 28th

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Return to us - but
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approved -

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TRANSLATION

STATE OF VIET-NAM

Saigon, July 18, 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

The Governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam,

No. 181-c/BN

To Mr. W. F. Colclough, Jr.,
President of the American Bank Note Company,
70 Broad St.,
New York 4, N. Y.

Purpose:
Order of notes of 100 and
500 piastres

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AUG 25 1955

Mr. President:

Referring to the letters of June 28th and July 11, 1955, from your Representative, Mr. McNeary, I have the honor to confirm to you my order of notes of 100 and 500 piastres, in accordance with the following specifications:

I. Quantities:

The quantities of notes ordered are:

- a- 60,000,000 notes of 100 piastres,
- b- 6,000,000 notes of 500 piastres.

II. Dimensions

The dimensions of the notes are as follows:

- a- for the note of 100 piastres: 155.6 x 66.7 mm.
- b- for the note of 500 piastres: 168.3 x 76.2 mm.

III. Paper

For the printing of these notes, so-called "planchette" paper will be used, manufactured by Crane & Co., Dalton, Mass.

IV. Designs

a) for the note of 100 piastres:

Face:

border suggested by that of the note of 2 pesos of the Central Bank of the Philippines;

inside: motifs suggested by those of the note of 100 pesos of the Republic of Paraguay;

in the center: the farmer working the land with a mechanical tractor;

Back:

Design (Trans.: also means frame) and motifs inside suggested by those of the back of the 10 pesos note of the Central Bank of the Philippines;

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in the center: a phoenix within a medallion.

b) For the note of 500 piastres:

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Face:

border and motifs within inspired by those of the note of 5 sucres of the Banco Central del Ecuador;

in the center: the Thien-Mu pagoda;

Back:

border and motifs suggested by those of the 20 pesos note of the Philippines;

in the center: the number "500" artistically arranged, within a medallion;

to right and left, the inscriptions "NAM TRAM DONG"

c) For the above 2 denominations: inscription of the title of the Banque Nationale in Vietnamese: "NGAN-HANG QUOC-GIA VIET-NAM".

V. Printing

Hollow engraving on steel in a single color on the face and on the back.

Colors:

a- for the note of 100 piastres:

face: "rotary black", as in the note of one gold peso of the Banco Central of the Dominican Republic,

back: 1 green (as appearing in the chart of colors specimens of American Bank Note Company)

b- for the note of 500 piastres:

(9 Blue new)

face: 8 blue (as appearing in the chart of color specimens of American Bank Note Company);

back: 64 orange (as appearing in the chart of color specimens of American Bank Note Company)

VI. Numbering and signatures

The notes will be numbered in series of a million. Each of them will carry, ✓
on the face, two numbers, a series letter and two signatures.

VII. Approval of models and proofs

The models will be sent by air mail to the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam. After

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approval, they will be sent to the Representative of the American Bank Note Company in Saigon, who will so advise the latter telegraphically, with a view to the engraving.

The final proofs will be sent by American Bank Note Company to the Ambassador of Viet-Nam in Washington, ^{who} will give the "okey to pull" for the account of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam. - *To be approved by us. See HQM cable 8/8/55* ✓

A copy of the final proofs will be sent simultaneously to the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, for its information.

VIII. Price

The price for the design, engraving, printing, packing, transportation, insurance and delivery of the notes is fixed as follows:

for the notes of 100 piastres
US\$8.75 per thousand, i.e., for 60 million notes: US\$525,000

for the notes of 500 piastres
US\$12.25 per thousand, that is, for 6 million notes: 73,500
Total..... US\$598,500

C.I.F. Saigon, by sea.

If the shipping is done by air, an additional amount of approximately US\$5.00 ✓
per thousand notes should be added to the price C.I.F. Saigon.
cost of

The above prices include insurance against war risks, excluding consular fees, exchange taxes or other taxes of imposts.

Any increase in the present freight or insurance tariff will be for account of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

IX.- Packing

The notes will be placed in bundles of 500 pieces, banded. Each package will contain 10,000 notes wrapped with Kraft paper, and will be sealed and labelled. Ten packages, that is, 100,000 notes, will be placed in a case which is metal-lined. The cases will be bound with steel bands, nailed and fastened with clasps so as to avoid any opening en route.

X.- Control

Immediately after the execution of the order, American Bank Note Company will send to the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam a certificate with supporting evidence, setting forth the quantity of paper ordered and the quantity of paper used. The discards and spoiled notes will be burned in the presence of a representative of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, and a minute of proceedings will be drawn up following this operation.

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The engraved plates used for the printing of the notes will be placed in a case sealed in the presence of the representative of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam: a seal will be sent to this representative and another (different) will be kept by American Bank Note Company. They may be destroyed by the latter, upon instructions from the Banque Nationale and in the presence of a representative of the latter: a minute of proceedings will be drawn up after the destruction.

XI.- Ship Delivery

The deliveries will be effected in the following manner:

a- Note of 100 piastres:

October 10, 1955	600,000	pieces
October 19, 1955	1,000,000	"
during the month of November...	6,000,000	"
monthly thereafter.....	7,000,000	"

b- Note of 500 piastres:

October 10, 1955.....	200,000	pieces
October 19, 1955.....	300,000	"
monthly thereafter.....	2,000,000	"

The American Bank Note Company undertakes to effect the deliveries under the aforesaid conditions (from New York), with the reservation that its work not suffer the effects of strikes, accidents or any other causes of delay independent of its will.

XII. Payments

Payments will be effected in U.S. dollars, proportionately as the notes are shipped to Saigon, against presentation of shipping documents to the National City Bank of New York, New York, which is authorized by the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam to set aside for this purpose, against its cash on hand, a sum equal to the total amount of this order, plus 10% additional in case of any eventual increase in the present freight or insurance tariff.

In case or by reason of force majeure independent of the will of American Bank Note Company it should be materially impossible for it to ship all or part of the notes ordered and printed, the National City Bank will pay it, in accordance with the bases indicated in paragraph VIII above, the price of the notes not shipped, upon presentation by the American Bank Note Company of ~~a certificate~~ an authentic certificate attesting the work done, and it being her responsibility to guarantee, insofar as possible, the shipping of the notes so paid, to the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam in Saigon, without any other expense for the latter.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

(Seal and Signature) DUONG TAN-TAI

(ED)

REC'D *H&M* LETTER *undated*

ETAT DU VIET-NAM

Saigon le 18 Juillet 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

N° 181-c/BN

A Monsieur W.F. CALCLOUGH Jr.,
Président de l'American Bank Note Company,
70, Broad Street,

OBJET :
Commande de billets
de 100 et 500 piastres

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AUG 25 1955

*Photostat sent to main
plate vault 7/26/55 JWS.*

Monsieur le Président,

Me référant aux lettres des 28 Juin et
11 Juillet 1955 de votre Représentant, M. Mc NEARY, j'ai
l'honneur de vous confirmer ma commande de billets de 100
et 500 piastres, sous le bénéfice des précisions ci-après :

I.- Quantités

Les quantités de billets commandées sont de :

- a- 60.000.000 de coupures de 100 piastres,
- b- 6.000.000 de coupures de 500 piastres.

II.- Dimensions

Les dimensions des billets sont les
suivantes :

- a- pour le billet de 100 piastres : 155,6 x 66,7 m/m,
- b- pour le billet de 500 piastres : 168,3 x 76,2 m/m.

III.- Papier

Pour l'impression de ces billets, il sera
utilisé du papier dit à "planchettes", fabriqué par
"CRANE & C^O DALTON MASS".

IV.- Dessins

- a) Pour le billet de 100 piastres :

Au recto :

- bordure inspirée de celle du billet de 2 pesos de
la Banque Centrale des Philippines;

- à l'intérieur

- à l'intérieur : motifs inspirés de ceux du billet de 100 pesos de la République de Paraguay;

- au milieu : le fermier labourant la terre avec un tracteur mécanique;

Au verso :

- cadre et motifs à l'intérieur inspirés de ceux du verso du billet de 10 pesos de la Banque Centrale des Philippines;

- au milieu : un phénix dans un médaillon.

b) Pour le billet de 500 piastres :

Au recto :

- bordure et motifs à l'intérieur inspirés de ceux du billet de 5 sucres de la Banque Centrale de l'Equateur;

- au milieu : pagode de Thiên-Mu;

Au verso :

- bordure et motifs inspirés de ceux du billet de 20 pesos des Philippines;

- au centre : le nombre "500" arrangé artistiquement, dans un médaillon;

- à droite et à gauche, les inscriptions "NĂM TRĂM ĐỒNG"

c) Pour les 2 dénominations ci-dessus :
inscription du titre de la Banque Nationale en vietnamien :
"NGÂN-HÀNG QUỐC-GIA VIỆT-NAM".

V.- Impressions

- Impression en creux par gravure sur acier en une seule couleur au recto et au verso.

- Couleurs :

a- pour le billet de 100 piastres :

recto : "rotary black", comme pour le billet de un peso oro de la Banque Centrale de la République Dominicana,

verso : 1 green (figurant au carnet des spécimens de couleurs de l'Américan Bank Note Company)

b- pour le billet de 500 piastres :

recto : 8 blue (figurant au carnet des spécimens de couleurs de l'Américan Bank Note Company);

verso : . . .

verso : 64 orange (figurant au carnet des spécimens de couleurs de l'Américan Bank Note Company).

VI.- Numérotage et signatures

Les billets seront numérotés en série de un million. Ils porteront chacun, au recto, deux numéros, une lettre de série et deux signatures.

VII.- Approbation des maquettes et des épreuves

Les maquettes seront adressées par avion à la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam. Après approbation, elles seront remises au Représentant de l'Américan Bank Note Company à Saigon, qui en avisera télégraphiquement celle-ci, en vue de la gravure.

Les épreuves définitives seront remises par les soins de l'Américan Bank Note Company à l'Ambassadeur du Viêt-Nam à Washington qui délivrera le "bon à tirer" pour le compte de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam.

Un exemplaire des épreuves définitives sera adressé simultanément à la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam, pour information.

VIII.- Prix

Le prix pour le dessin, la gravure, l'impression, l'emballage, le transport, l'assurance et la livraison des billets est fixé comme suit :

- pour les billets de 100 piastres
8,75 U.S.\$ les 1.000 billets,
soit pour 60 millions de billets : 525.000 U.S.\$

- pour les billets de 500 piastres
12,25 U.S.\$ les 1.000 billets,
soit pour 6 millions de billets : 73.500

Total 598.500 U.S.\$

C.I.F. Saigon, par voie maritime.

Si l'expédition est faite par voie aérienne, il y a lieu d'ajouter au prix C.I.F. Saigon un supplément de 5 U.S.\$ environ par 1.000 billets.

Les prix ci-dessus comprennent les frais d'assurances contre les risques de guerre, à l'exclusion des frais consulaires, taxes de change ou autres taxes ou impositions.

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JUL 26 1955

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NAME AND ADDRESS

American Bank Note Co., 70 Broad St.

DATE July 19, 1955

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To

MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

RE. W. 15
JUL 22 1955

"Via RADIO MACKAY"

Urs 1619 model 500 ready Thursday stop 100 couple days after receipt your phoenix as
also new delivery schedule stop Advise if satisfactory change numbering prefix every
million notes stop Preparing contract final form here to forward for signature.

MMW:ed

OK *[signature]*

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E. W. W.
JUL 22 1955

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*Called Rin
7/21/55
MMW*

Mr. W. W.

see letter 7/20



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JUL 20 1955

Viet-Nam Bank Notes
Specimen No S71674

Saigon to NewYork
July 20 1955

E. W. W.
JUL 27 1955

memo to
Specimen Dept.
7/26/55
mmw

M. M. W.
JUL 26 1955

Ref to your letter of July 12th and specimen No. S71674 showing your vignette of a Phoenix; the vignette was shown to the Governor and as explained in my telegram of the 20th inst your Phoenix was found unsuitable. ✓

In order to avoid creating the impression that our engravings are used for various clients, I deeply regret it was necessary to cut the vignette out of the specimen. enclosed herewith are all parts of the specimen.

Returned to
Spec. by
memorandum
7/26/55
mmw

Hugh Deary

Far Eastern Representative.

HMN

M. M. W.
Jul 26 1955

Ref to your letter of July 15th and enclosing
showing your receipt of the same. The
shown to the Government and explained as my
of the fact that your name was found unsatisfactory.

It was necessary to cut the letters out of the
enclosed within the limits of the enclosure.

A. E. N. Co. Reprint
M



Jul 26 1955

REC'D WITH *HG 2107* LETTER *undated - 7/2/55*
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E. W. B.
JUL 27 1955

Saigon
July 20, 1955

H. E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

M. M. W.
JUL 26 1955

Your Excellency: Regarding Models.

I am this morning in receipt of a telegram from NewYork advising me that the 500 denomination model will be completed Thursday and the model of the 100 denomination will be completed a few days after receipt of your Phoenix, which was airmailed from Saigon last Saturday and should be in NewYork today; also the new shipping schedule will be available about the time the 100 denomination model is completed.

New York has instructions to airmail the models to Saigon as soon as whichever model is completed.

Work in connection with your order has been given priority and we trust the models as designed will please you and receive prompt approval. //

With assurances of my high esteem, I am

Yours very truly

J. W. B.

JUL 26 1955

[Signature]
Far Eastern Representative
American Bank Note Company

HMN.

see 7/22

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Air Mail
July 21, 1955

Mr. H.G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

E. W. F.
JUL 22 1955

Dear Mr. McNeary:

In accordance with our advice to you by cable today, we forward herewith our model for the 500 piastre note. We are very pleased with the design and hope the Bank too will find it satisfactory in every respect. Since we are already engraving, we trust there will be no changes, and therefore anticipate your immediate notification of approval.

Please do not fail to point out that the pagoda scene is merely a photographic reduction of the picture you sent us, and that the final engraving will be a work of artistic contrasts of light and dark effects. Naturally, every important feature of the vignette will be clearly defined and sharp. These qualities in turn will bring about the proper final color treatment.

This note is modelled in 9 Blue pursuant to original instructions. When subsequently we received your advices that the colors selected for this note might be 8 Blue and 64 Orange, considerations of time made it inadvisable for us to begin the model over again. Should the Bank decide to have this note printed in blue and orange, we would recommend that the face be left in the 9 Blue, as modelled, rather than changed to 8 Blue, which closely approaches black. In this regard you may wish to refer again to our letter of July 15th enclosing ABNCo. specimens.

We are sure that you and the Bank will agree with us concerning the attractiveness of this creation. Inherent, of course, in this design are the necessary features which afford our artists the opportunity to steel engrave and intaglio print a note of the highest quality and security.

Sincerely yours,

per 7/27

Enclosure
MMW:ed

Manager Foreign Department

P.S. As regards the signatures, you will note that they appear a little small and dim. When engraved they naturally will stand out much more clearly. The originals which you sent were reduced photographically, simultaneously, in order to maintain the proper proportions. The right-hand signature, as you will see, now occupies all the vertical panel space. This would not be so if the signature were slanted more horizontally. However, if the Bank should want these signatures larger and/or thicker, we can accommodate, but might have to extend the larger one slightly into the lower border or place it in a more horizontal position. mmw

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NEW YORK, N. Y., July 21, 1955

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on surrender of this certificate, which conveys the right of collecting, any such loss as fully as if the property were covered by a special policy direct to the holder hereof, and free from any liability for unpaid premiums. This certificate is subject to all the terms of the open policy, provided, however, that the rights of a bona fide holder of this certificate for value shall not be prejudiced by any terms of the open policy which are in conflict with the terms of this certificate.

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INCLUDING WAR RISK

1. This insurance attaches from the time the goods leave the Warehouse and/or Store at the place named in this certificate or special policy for the commencement of the transit and continues during the ordinary course of transit, including customary transshipment if any, until the goods are discharged overboard from the overseas vessel at the final port. Thereafter the insurance continues whilst the goods are in transit and/or awaiting transit until delivered to final warehouse at the destination named in this certificate or special policy or until the expiry of 15 days (or 30 days if the destination to which the goods are insured is outside the limits of the port) whichever shall first occur. The time limits referred to above to be reckoned from midnight of the day on which the discharge overboard of the goods hereby insured from the overseas vessel is completed. Held covered at a premium to be arranged in the event of transshipment, if any, other than as above and/or in the event of delay in excess of the above time limits arising from circumstances beyond the control of the Assured.

It is necessary for the Assured to give prompt notice to these Assurers when they become aware of an event for which they are "held covered" under this policy and the right to such cover is dependent on compliance with this obligation.

2. Including transit by craft and/or lighter to and from the vessel. Each craft and/or lighter to be deemed a separate insurance. The Assured are not to be prejudiced by any agreement exempting lightermen from liability.

3. This insurance shall not be vitiated by any unintentional error in description of vessel, voyage or interest, or by deviation, over-carryage, change of voyage, transshipment or any other interruption of the ordinary course of transit, from causes beyond the control of the Assured. It is agreed, however, that any such error, deviation or other occurrence mentioned above shall be reported to this Company as soon as known to the Assured, and additional premium paid if required.

4. Notwithstanding any average warranty contained herein, these Assurers agree to pay any landing, warehousing, forwarding and special charges for which this policy in the absence of such warranty would be liable. Also to pay the insured value of any package or packages which may be totally lost in loading, transshipment or discharge.

5. In case of damage affecting labels, capsules or wrappers, these Assurers, if liable therefor under the terms of this policy, shall not be liable for more than an amount sufficient to pay the cost of new labels, capsules or wrappers, and the cost of reconditioning the goods, but in no event shall these Assurers be liable for more than the insured value of the damaged merchandise.

6. When the property insured under this policy includes a machine consisting when complete for sale or use of several parts, then in case of loss or damage covered by this insurance to any part of such machine, these Assurers shall be liable only for the proportion of the insured value of the part lost or damaged, or at the Assured's option, for the cost and expense, including labor and forwarding charges, of replacing or repairing the lost or damaged part; but in no event shall these Assurers be liable for more than the insured value of the complete machine.

7. General Average and Salvage Charges payable according to United States laws and usage and/or as per Foreign Statement and/or as per York-Antwerp Rules (as prescribed in whole or in part) if in accordance with the Contract of Affreightment.

8. Including the risk of explosion, howsoever or wheresoever occurring during the currency of this insurance, unless excluded by the F. C. & S. Warranty or the S. R. & C. C. Warranty set forth herein.

9. Where this insurance by its terms covers while on docks, wharves or elsewhere on shore, and/or during land transportation, it shall include the risks of collision, derailment, overturning or other accident to the conveyance, fire, lightning, sprinkler leakage, cyclones, hurricanes, earthquakes, floods (meaning the rising of navigable waters), and/or collapse or subsidence of docks or wharves, even though the insurance be otherwise F.P.A.

10. The Assured are not to be prejudiced by the presence of the negligence clause and/or latent defect clause in the Bills of Lading and/or Charter Party. The seaworthiness of the vessel as between the Assured and these Assurers is hereby admitted and the wrongful act or misconduct of the shipowner or his servants causing a loss is not to defeat the recovery by an innocent Assured if the loss in the absence of such wrongful act or misconduct would have been a loss recoverable on the policy. With leave to sail with or without pilots, and to tow and assist vessels or craft in all situations, and to be towed.

11. This insurance is also specially to cover any loss of or damage to the interest insured hereunder, through the bursting of boilers, breakage of shafts or through any latent defect in the machinery, hull or appurtenances, or from faults or errors in the navigation and/or management of the vessel by the master, mariners, mates, engineers or pilots.

12. Warranted free of claim for loss of market or for loss, damage or deterioration arising from delay, whether caused by a peril insured against or otherwise, unless expressly assumed in writing hereon.

13. Where goods are shipped under a Bill of Lading containing the so-called "Both to Blame Collision" Clause, these Assurers agree as to all losses covered by this insurance, to indemnify the Assured for this policy's proportion of any amount (not exceeding the amount insured) which the Assured may be legally bound to pay to the shipowners under such clause. In the event that such liability is asserted the Assured agree to notify these Assurers who shall have the right at their own cost and expense to defend the Assured against such claim.

14. No recovery for a Constructive Total Loss shall be had hereunder unless the property insured is reasonably abandoned on account of its actual total loss appearing to be unavoidable, or because it cannot be preserved from actual total loss without an expenditure which would exceed its value when the expenditure had been incurred.

15. Warranted that this insurance shall not inure, directly or indirectly, to the benefit of any carrier or bailee.

Not valid unless countersigned by R. A. MURPHY or MARK WEI

Countersigned,

Mark Wei

Chubb & Son Managers

A. L. S.

July 21, 1955 (?)

JUL 26 1955

W. F. C.

JUL 26 1955

Hotel Majestic Saigon

E. W. P.
JUL 27 1955

Saigon/New York

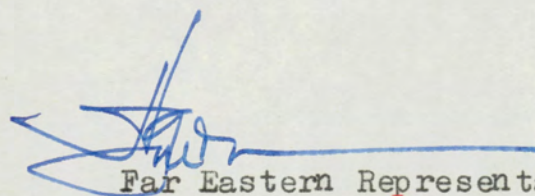
M. M. W.

JUL 26 1955

As you know I booked to stay at the Majestic Hotel, after being at 55 Rue P. Flandin for a week I had decided to move to the Majestic however something told me to stay put. Yesterday during a demonstration a mob invaded the Hotel, the loss of personal property etc etc etc is reported to be heavy, the street around the Hotel was littered with personal effects of the guests, clothing, cameras, typewriters, etc. the night before a grenade exploded near 55 Flandin. Your papers no doubt covered yesterdays affair.

J. W. B.

JUL 26 1955



Far Eastern Representative

HMN

A.L.S.
JUL 26 1955

W.F.C.
JUL 26 1955

M.M.W.
JUL 26 1955

As you know I booked to stay at the Majestic Hotel, after seeing it on the map. I had decided to move to the Majestic however something told me to stay put. I suddenly being a democrat I decided to stay put. The issue of personal property etc. is supposed to be heavy, the street around the hotel is littered with personal property of the guests clothing, etc. etc. The hotel is supposed to be covered by the police. Your report no doubt covered yesterday's situation.

JUL 26 1955

FOREIGN DEPT
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JUL 26 1955

Banque National du Viet-Nam
Viet-Nam

E. W. P.
JUL 27 1955

Saigon/New York
July 21 1955

regarding change in date of letter

M. M. W.
JUL 26 1955

Refer to my two page letter of July 9th with 3 pages summary of telegram of July 6th - written and dated (Saturday) July 9th. The Bank was closed when I went to present the letter, so I delivered it on Monday July 11th but before taking it to the Banque I changed the date from July 9th to July 11th. I may have neglected to change the date of my copy to you, if I failed to make the change will you please change the date to July 11th.

file

Done 7/24

Henry
Far Eastern Representative

HMN

J. W. B.
JUL 26 1955

M. M. W.
JUL 26 1955

Refer to my two page letter of July 21st 1955
concerning the release of my wife - (name)
and child. The letter was closed and I was to
return it to the office. As I delivered it to the
office I changed the date from July 21st to
July 26th. I may have neglected to change the
copy to you, it is better to make the change
change the date to July 26th.

Handwritten: Done 1/2/55

Let us hear from you again

FUNCTION DEPT
A.B.N.CO.



JUL 26 1955

*Presented for the
governor's attention
2 pm July 21*

REC'D WITH HACH LETTER undated -
7/21/55?

Saigon
July 21, 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam.

E. W. B.
JUL 27 1955

M. M. W.
JUL 26 1955

Your Excellency:

4 Color specimens ?

J. W. B.
JUL 26 1955

Pursuant to my letter of July 12th and July 16th
I am pleased to submit for your examination 4 ABNCo specimen
notes in the colors of your selection; namely - Rotary Black,
1 Green, 8 Blue, and 64 Orange.

These specimens are on our planchatted bank note
paper and will give you a true effect of the colors. However
as I mentioned in my various conversations on the subject
of color, it should be kept in mind that while the color of
the ink remains unchanged the overall color effect will always
vary to some extent depending on the tonal values of the
design and on the amount of engraving on the note.

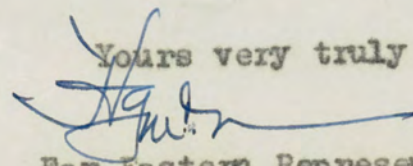
I would like to call your special attention to the
colors of Rotary Black and 8 Blue, both are dark colors, and
in a dim light, the difference in color between the Rotary
Black and 8 Blue is not very discernible, so it is New York's
thought that our 9 Blue might be preferable. The difference
in color between Rotary Black and 9 Blue is more pronounced
and one color cannot be mistaken for the other.

Your definite selection of colors will not be needed
until about one week before we are ready to pull the die proofs.
However, if you can decide on the colors sooner it will be
advisable to do so.

With assurances of my high regard, I am

see 9/21

Yours very truly



Far Eastern Representative

M. M. W.
JUL 26 1955

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ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE IN CAMBODIA, LAOS, AND SOUTH VIETNAM

M. M. W.

AUG 17 1955

Although military and political developments in the Indochinese states of Cambodia, Laos, and South Vietnam¹ have long dominated the news from that distant region of the world, less striking but nonetheless important changes have recently been taking place in the economic status of these three countries.

At the beginning of January 1955, the monetary and customs union which had previously existed in Indochina,

prising implication that the floods in Hopei were more devastating than those in the Huai region.

It is stated, in this connection, that planning of the Yellow River valley has been completed. Geological prospecting and testing and surveying of the Sanmenhsia reservoir—the biggest hydraulic pivot in the middle reaches, are in progress. The Planning Committee have drafted plans for prevention of flood in the lower reaches; for land irrigation in the valley; power supply to new industrial bases; soil preservation in the Northwest loess area to prevent loss of water and soil; and development of Yellow River shipping.

State coal mines barely fulfilled the plan for the year by mid-December but it was hoped that the whole output for the year would be 18% up on the previous year, which seems a bit of a load for the last fortnight to carry, even if China had no Xmas holidays.

The draft economic plan for 1955 of the Canton Municipal Planning Committee was recently published. It called for a total industrial increase of 13.61% while local State-owned industry will take over a further 22.41% of the total. The non-private amount is to be raised to nearly 40% compared with 21.38 in 1954.

Suburban agricultural production is to go up by less than 8%, most of the increase being in technical crops and pig-raising. Producer co-operatives and mutual aid teams are to be enlarged.

The Statistical Bureau of the Province of Kwangtung claimed that there was an increase of 12% in the grain yield in 1954, and of 24% compared with 1952. The increase was fairly general, with the largest leap on Hainan Island of nearly 20%.

It is stated that the grain yield in 1954 was due to the continued progress in agricultural economy in the past five years, to the gradual expansion of the co-operative movement, and to the incessant elevation of the positive quality of the peasants in production as well as the subjugation of natural calamities under the policy and leadership of the Party. There was "a fervent tide" for increased production in the villages. Technical reforms and better irrigation helped improve yield. The big development of mutual aid and co-operatives led to a total of 4,630 producer co-operatives in 1954, and organized peasants amounted to more than 50% compared with 10% last year. It is asserted that this also resulted in the promotion of reform and improvement in techniques as well as in fighting natural calamities, which checked the damage. The Government issued in 1954 a total of nearly 350,000 million yuan in loans, excluding loans for winter ploughing to help the peasants tide over difficulties in production and hardships incurred by famines and natural calamities.

and in the management of which France had had an important voice, was formally dissolved, and in its place were established, under the exclusive jurisdiction of each government concerned, three separate national central banks, monetary systems, and exchange and import control mechanisms. These and related institutional changes introduced at the same time have resulted in a full national economic independence for each of the three Indochinese states that complements the political independence which they had already achieved somewhat earlier.

Symbolizing this shift to national economic independence is the fact that at the beginning of this year the United States Government, which had previously channeled the great bulk of its extensive aid to Indochina through France, initiated a program of aid directly to each of the three states. This program is designed to bolster these countries against the threats of Communist aggression from without and subversion from within. Coupled with the breakup of the monetary and customs union, this shift in the direction of United States aid is likely to have significant effects on the pattern of the external trade and finances of the three states and to cast many of their economic problems in a new form.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

From 1887 to 1949 Indochina, organized as a federation of the protectorates and colonies of Annam, Cambodia, Cochinchina, Laos, and Tonkin, had been under the complete political and economic control of France, except for several years during World War II when the area was controlled by the Japanese. During this period the French had steadily developed the economy and the foreign trade of Indochina and had built up a large investment stake in the area. Rice, formerly grown only for local consumption, became an important export crop; and by the outbreak of World War II Indochina had achieved the position of the world's third largest exporter of rice. Rubber cultivation was introduced, and the area became the world's fourth largest natural rubber producer. Roads, railways, and canals were built, ports were modernized, irrigation and power projects were constructed, and various industries, mainly of the processing sort, were developed. But at the outbreak of World War II Indochina remained, and still remains today, an under-developed and predominantly agricultural economy geared to the production and export of rice and rubber and such other primary products as maize, pepper, sugar, and tea. Large mineral deposits, notably coal and iron, which the French had only partly exploited, also exist, but these are heavily concentrated in North Vietnam, now under Communist control.

Following the re-establishment of French control after the disruption caused by World War II, hostilities broke out in December 1946 between the French and the Communist forces of the Viet-Minh. Mindful of the nationalist senti-

¹ The term "South Vietnam" will be used in this article to denote that part of Vietnam which is south of the 17th Parallel and under the government headed by Ngo Dinh Diem. The truce agreements of July 1954, which brought the war in Indochina to an end, formally divided Vietnam into two parts, the part north of the 17th Parallel being placed under the jurisdiction of the Communist (Viet-Minh) Government headed by Ho Chi Minh. Most of the north, however, had already been under Communist control.

ments of the Indochinese people, and of the need for more effectively mobilizing their support in the common war against the Communists, France agreed on March 8, 1949 to the union of Annam, Cochinchina, and Tonkin as the State of Vietnam and granted the new state internal sovereignty and membership in the French Union. Similar agreements were concluded on July 19 and November 8, 1949, with the Kingdom of Laos and the Kingdom of Cambodia, respectively.

In order, however, to preserve the benefits of the economic unity that had been built up in Indochina over a period of eighty years, the decision was reached at a quadripartite conference held at Pau, France, from June to November 1950, to establish a monetary and customs union in Indochina. Moreover, to give France a voice in the administration of that union and of certain other common services, to the extent that the interests of France and of the French Union were involved, a system of quadripartite supervision and control in these various fields by France and the three states was agreed upon.

Thus, for example, a quadripartite-controlled bank of issue—the Institute of Issue, which took over the note-issuing function formerly exercised by the Bank of Indochina—was set up on January 1, 1952; in addition to issuing a common currency, it was to perform certain other central banking functions on a limited scale for the area as a whole. A customs union, also under quadripartite supervision, was likewise set up; trade between the three Indochinese states was to be completely free, and customs receipts collected on imports from outside the area were to be divided among them in specified ratios. Although it was provided that the administration of exchange and import controls would be taken over by the Institute of Issue, it actually remained in the hands of the French-controlled Indochinese Foreign Exchange Control Office. (Since the three states remained in the French franc monetary zone, these controls continued to be closely harmonized with those of France and other members of that zone). The Pau Accords also provided for quadripartite control in the administration of certain other common services, such as communications and the Port of Saigon, and in the fields of import programming and immigration. Each of the three states, however, established its own national treasury; and the former common Indochinese Treasury was abolished.

The monetary and customs union and the system of quadripartite control set up by the Pau Accords did not work out smoothly. Frictions and obstacles developed because of differences in economic interest; and various retaliatory measures, which ran counter to the letter and spirit of the arrangement, were taken by the three states. Besides, there was a natural desire on the part of each state to assume full charge of its own financial and economic affairs. The unilateral action by France in devaluing the Indochinese piaster in May 1953, and the sharp rise in prices that it provoked, served further to undermine the basis of an already fragile arrangement. So long as the war with the Viet-Minh continued, however, the mechanism held together.

BREAKUP OF QUADRIPARTITE SYSTEM

Following the truce agreements of last July, there was an obvious strengthening of existing pressures to liquidate the monetary and customs union and to remove the remaining vestiges of formal French control. These objectives were finally realized at the beginning of 1955, as the result of a series of interstate conventions signed in Paris late in December 1954 following a conference between the three states and France.

Briefly, these conventions abrogated the Pau Accords of 1950, provided for the liquidation of the various mechan-

isms and organs that had been established under these accords, and transferred to each of the three states full control of those aspects of its monetary, trade, exchange, and other affairs that had previously been under quadripartite control. Pending the negotiation of more detailed bilateral agreements at a later date, moreover, certain of the conventions also defined in provisional terms the future relations of the various parties with each other in the financial, customs, and other fields.

With the breakup of the quadripartite-controlled monetary and customs union, each of the three Indochinese states will henceforth be free to issue and control its own money, to fix its own rate of exchange, and to determine its own exchange and import controls and its commercial policy (including the right to impose customs duties and import and payments restrictions against each other). The Institute of Issue ceased to function on January 1, 1955, and its assets and liabilities are being distributed among three new national central banks, which commenced operations at the same time.² The Indochinese Foreign Exchange Control Office was likewise abolished on January 1, and its functions were assumed by national exchange offices attached to each of the three central banks. Provisionally, at least, the three new currencies—designated the riel, the kip, and the piaster in Cambodia, Laos, and South Vietnam, respectively—have each been fixed at a parity of ten French francs to one unit of the local currency, or at the same parity that had existed between the franc and the Indochinese piastre.

Each of the three states is initially maintaining a tie with the franc monetary area and presumably patterning its exchange and import controls along the general lines of those previously prevailing for Indochina as a whole. South Vietnam, in fact, has formally committed itself for at least a year to membership in the franc area, with its trade and payments to continue to be relatively free with other members of the area. South Vietnam has also agreed to turn its foreign exchange receipts over to the central reserve pool in Paris, but with the stipulation that it can at any time fully withdraw any exchange so ceded which it has acquired through foreign aid or loans. Laos and Cambodia have not as yet, however, formally committed themselves to continued adherence to the franc area.

Although three new currency units have formally been established, the three states are continuing provisionally to use the currency already in circulation, namely, the notes of the liquidated Institute of Issue (which had been printed in three national types but which had circulated freely as full legal tender in all three states) and the notes which the Bank of Indochina had issued before January 1952, the liability for which had been assumed by the Institute. (Each of the three new central banks is currently issuing, however, only Institute notes of the national type peculiar to its country). Presumably both categories of notes will be replaced before long by new and distinctive national central bank notes. But so long as common currencies continue to circulate in the three states, it will be necessary for payments to continue to remain completely free among the three states, for their currency units to be kept at parity with each other, and for their national exchange and import controls with regard to the outside world to be closely harmonized.

SHIFT IN UNITED STATES AID PROGRAM

Until the beginning of 1955, the extensive aid which the United States Government had given to Indochina had been funneled predominantly through the French. Ship-

² The three new central banks are equipped with considerably wider functions and powers than the Institute of Issue which they replaced, especially as regards credit control, credit operations with banking institutions, and foreign exchange transactions.

ments of military supplies and equipment, the largest component of that aid, had been made directly to the French forces in Indochina. Dollar payments had also been made directly to France to reimburse it in part for the francs which it had used to buy the piasters needed for the support of the French and the national armies in Indochina. A small amount of United States economic and technical aid had, however, been extended directly to the Indochinese states themselves.

In keeping with the new economic status of Cambodia, Laos, and South Vietnam, United States aid since January 1, 1955 is now being channeled directly to each of these states. The composition of our aid to Indochina has likewise undergone some transformation. The bulk of our aid is now going to finance the feeding, clothing, and pay of the armed forces of the three states. At the same time, we are continuing to provide these states with economic and technical assistance designed to raise their levels of production and exports, both of which are still far below 1938 levels, and to prop up governments that are administratively very weak. In the case of South Vietnam, aid is also being given to care for more than 600,000 refugees who have fled from the north since last July and to help integrate them into the economy. Obviously, these various requirements cannot be met without United States aid in view of the low income levels and limited budgetary and foreign exchange resources of the three states, accentuated by the severe damage and economic dislocation caused by eight years of war.

The basic purpose of this program is of course to bolster the three states militarily, economically, and politically, and thus to strengthen their ability and will to resist Communist subversion or aggression. The three national armies, which are being financed predominantly by our aid, are designed to support the authority of the three governments throughout their respective territories and to fight initial defensive actions should there be an attack from without. Our economic and technical aid program, by helping to raise real national income, standards of health and literacy, and the efficiency of government administration, will tend to strengthen the position of the three governments, to help them carry out needed economic and social reforms, and to win for them a wider degree of public support.

Most pressing is the task in South Vietnam. In addition to the difficulties already mentioned, that state is faced with a number of special problems of its own. It has suffered much more extensively from war damage and economic dislocation than Cambodia or Laos; and it has lost control over the rich Red River delta in the north which, along with the rest of North Vietnam, has formally passed to the Communists. The present government has not as yet fully established its authority over the various influential and semiautonomous political-religious sects that exist in the country. A number of regions in South Vietnam are still "insecure" because the Communists, while having formally withdrawn their armed forces as they were obligated to, have left behind them many guerillas and agents who still exercise control at various local levels. Finally, a special urgency is lent to the problem in South Vietnam by the fact that the truce arrangements require an election to be held in all of Vietnam in July 1956 in order to unify the country under a single government.

SOME IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEW SYSTEM

The recent shift from indirect United States aid to Indochina via France to direct aid to the three states is likely, in time, to have important repercussions on the orientation of their foreign trade and external financial relations. Until the beginning of 1955 the great bulk of Indochina's foreign exchange receipts had taken the form of

French francs, which had largely represented the counterpart of the heavy French outlays in support of the French and national armies in Indochina. These francs were available predominantly for expenditures only in the franc zone; and in recent years some 80 per cent of Indochinese imports have come from that zone. Henceforth, however, franc receipts will tend to fall off markedly, not only because French outlays in the three states on France's own forces will decline as these forces are withdrawn, but also because direct United States aid will replace francs as the external counterpart of the local-currency outlays in support of the three national armies. This change need not necessarily cause any shifting-away by the three states from French to American goods, since United States aid to the three states can be used to procure goods anywhere in the world, including France, provided only that certain procurement standards of the Foreign Operations Administration (e.g., competitive pricing) are met. A substantial part of United States aid is in fact likely to be used by the three states to finance the purchase of goods in France, especially since established trade channels cannot easily be altered. But some relative shifting away from France to the United States, Japan, and other sources of supply will undoubtedly occur, especially over a longer period. The direction and speed of this trade reorientation will of course be intimately related to the types of import and exchange control systems which the three states adopt and to whether or not and to what degree they maintain a continued tie with the franc zone. These matters, as intimated above, are still in a state of flux.

The new program of direct United States aid, coupled with the breakup of the former monetary and customs union, may also have repercussions on internal monetary developments in the three states. In recent years, Indochina has been spared any marked inflation such as might have been expected in view of the heavy military outlays and the general economic dislocation.³ This experience, all the more remarkable because of the virtual absence of any fiscal, monetary, or direct controls, has been basically attributable to the fact that the dominant income-generating outlays, namely, piaster expenditures in support of the French and the national armies in Indochina, were financed by France and currently yielded the Indochinese authorities an equivalent amount of French francs; and, given the relative freedom of trade and payments within the franc zone, the incomes so generated and the francs so acquired were, in the main, drained away through heavy merchandise imports from, and remittances and capital transfers to, the franc zone. A fair degree of financial equilibrium, largely of a fortuitous sort, was thereby maintained. Under the new framework, however, this balance may be upset. For one thing, the change-over from indirect to direct United States aid may cause a retardation, in the short run, in the flow of imports into the three states because of various restrictions imposed on procurement of goods financed by United States aid and because of the temporary dislocations and time lags involved in shifting over to new sources of supply, to the extent that such shifting takes place. Secondly, the three states, with their newly won economic sovereignty, may want to impose certain additional restrictions on remittances and capital transfers to France in order to add to their reserves. Either or both of these results or actions, by clogging the safety valves that have in the past served to drain off the excess money incomes created by internal military expenditures, would tend to provoke inflationary pressures.

CONCLUSION

National economic independence has imposed new responsibilities on Cambodia, Laos, and South Vietnam at

NORTH BORNEO IN 1954

It is the Government's policy to associate the people in the management of their own affairs. This is being done in a number of ways. There are numerous statutory bodies and advisory committees upon which the public are represented, but more important is the growth of local government. Legal provision exists for the establishment of Local Authorities in both rural and urban areas. The first Local Authority under the Rural Government Ordinance, 1951, was established in the predominantly Native district of Kota Belud in 1952 largely as an experiment. Although experience has shown that the development of an awareness of the privileges and obligations of local government can only be a gradual process, the success achieved has been sufficient to justify the setting up of further such Authorities; and during the year final arrangements were made for the establishment as from the beginning of 1955 of a similar Authority at Sipitang where the population is also predominantly Native.

There has also been a considerable advance in the towns where the Chinese form the bulk of the population. The former Sanitary Boards Ordinance of 1931 was replaced during the year by the Municipal and Urban Authorities Ordinance of 1953, which provides for the development of urban local government up to full municipal status. Under this Ordinance, Town Boards with unofficial majorities and a large measure of financial control were constituted at Jesselton and Sandakan.

An important administrative development was the creation of "district teams" to co-ordinate plans at district level and to ensure smooth and harmonious administration. The teams are composed of the chief local representative of each department and prominent local unofficial residents under the chairmanship of the District Officer. Frequent meetings are held.

Thirty-two chiefs attended the Annual Conference of Native Chiefs, which was held at Kent College, Tuaran. The purpose of the Conference was, as in former years, to enable the leading representatives of the various Native communities to discuss together freely matters of common concern.

The inhabitants of the Colony maintained their law-abiding reputation and the incidence of serious crime was again low. In March, however, occurred a distressing and disturbing incident, when a large band of Suluks from the Philippines, using light craft powered with outboard engines, and armed with automatic weapons, raided the township of

Semporna on the East Coast. A Forest Officer, one Police Sergeant and two Police Constables lost their lives, and \$70,000 worth of property was looted. Immediate measures were taken to intensify patrols along the East Coast and to improve radio communications. Considerable help was received from the Royal Air Force.

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The revised estimate of Ordinary Revenue during 1954 amounted to \$22.7 million which was \$3 million less than the actual revenue for 1953. Customs revenue showed an increase of about \$1 million over the revenue collected during 1953. Forest revenue also showed an increase and the main reason for the reduction of \$3 million in the total revenue when compared with 1953 revenue included fairly substantial arrears of Income Tax which were settled during that year.

The revised estimate of Recurrent Expenditure during the year amounted to \$15.9 million, as compared with \$13.5 million in 1953, while expenditure on reconstruction and development (excluding loan expenditure and expenditure under Colonial Development and Welfare Schemes) amounted to \$16.0 million compared with \$11.3 million in 1953. The excess of normal revenue over recurrent expenditure amounting to \$6.8 million was available as a contribution towards the cost of reconstruction and development and of items of Special Expenditure amounting to \$1.6 million. After taking into account the accumulated balances available at 1st January, 1954, the credit to be transferred from loan funds in respect of compensation paid to the British Borneo Timber Company, Limited, and the transfer to be made from a part of the proceeds of the sales of Japanese assets to meet the cost of War Damage Compensation and construction of playing fields, etc., there was an estimated deficit of \$2.7 million which was met by a grant-in-aid from Her Majesty's Government. The revised estimated expenditure under Colonial Development and Welfare Schemes amounted to \$4.6 million.

A loan totalling £750,000 was floated for the purpose of financing the development of electricity, water supplies and telephonic communications and of reimbursing general revenues in respect of compensation paid for the relinquishment of exclusive timber rights.

Further War Damage claims were settled and a total of \$8.7 million has now been paid. 480 restoration awards amounting to \$1.7 million remain outstanding, but payment in the great majority of these cases awaits rebuilding by property owners in accordance with the town plans.

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Although for the last two years the Colony has had an unfavourable trade balance, a favourable trade balance was restored in 1954. It amounted to \$2.9 million as compared with the adverse balance of \$9.7 million in 1953. Imports for the year totalled \$74.3 million (\$70.0 million in 1953) as against exports, including re-exports, of \$77.2 million (\$60.3 million in 1953). Although there was a marked movement upwards towards the end of year, the average price of rubber for 1954 was approximately the same as in 1953. Exports of rubber rose from 16,800 tons in 1953 valued at \$23.4 million to 17,100 tons valued at \$24.0 million. More notable was the rise in the exports of copra and timber in spite of marked decreases in the prices of both these commodities. Copra exports (including re-

a time when these three states, still struggling with the administrative burdens implicit in the political independence achieved somewhat earlier, are faced with the threats of Communist subversion and aggression, with serious economic problems, and with a marked lack of experienced and skilled indigenous administrators and technicians. The new aid program by the United States, as well as aid from France and other friendly nations, will undoubtedly go a long way in helping these fledgling states to meet many of the difficult problems with which they are currently grappling. But there will inevitably remain a hard core of problems that can only be resolved, if they are to be resolved at all, by the efforts of the three states themselves.

³ However, there was a relatively sharp rise in prices in the last six months of 1953 which largely represented an internal adjustment to the devaluation of the piaster in May of that year.

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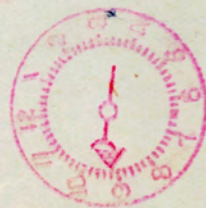
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Your Excellency: Regarding Design
for the proposed 1000 denomination.

With regard to a design for your 1000 denomination
I would like to submit the following proposal for your consideration.

- Size of note. 6-7/8" x 3-3/16" - 6 mil to - 174.6 x 81 m/m
- Face design. To have the face design of this denomination in harmony with the 100 and 500 denomination but at the same time distinctive, I would recommend the designing be left to our artists in New York.
- Border of note. To be the same as or similar to the border of the Philippine one peso model face border.
- Title of note. Ngan-Hang (Quoc-Gia Viet-Nam)
- Vignette. Temple gate scene - to be in a horizontal composition.
- Signature Panel. As in the 100 and 500 denomination.
2 signatures to be shown under their titles.
- Numbering. ABNCo's numbering system - in series of one million numbers to start with a prefix.
- Clauses and Date. No clauses or date is to appear on the face of the note.
- Printing. Note to be steel engraved and intaglio printed - one color on the face and one color on the back.
- Accent Marks. to be carefully reproduced.
- Denomination. "1000" - "Mot Ngan" - writings were sent NY June 28.

W.M.M.
JUL 28 1955

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H.B. Duong Ten Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

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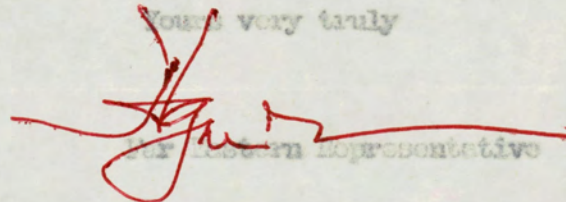
<u>Back design.</u>	To be similar to the model of the 200 pesos back model with the following exceptions.
<u>Denomination.</u>	Change the figures 200 to read "1000"
<u>Vignette.</u>	Farmer and wife holding sheaf of rice, attractive cloud effect - suitably framed.
<u>Penalty Clause.</u>	To be shown below the vignette.

Please refer to the Philippine one peso face model for the proposed border design and to the back of the 200 pesos model for the back design. This denomination when completely designed will be in harmony with the 100 and 500 denominations, but at the same time it will be completely distinctive.

I would like to discuss this proposal with you so that I may be guided by your wishes in preparing my instructions for New York. The vignette subjects you have selected for the face and back are very attractive compositions and I believe you will be pleased with the finished design.

With assurances of my high regard, I am

Yours very truly



For National Representative

Enclosed are
Philippine one peso model
Philippine 200 pesos model
ABNCo's book of steel securities colors.

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Saigon to New York
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ZP*

M. M. W.
JUL 29 1955

Confirming telegrams.

Yours 21

airmailing 500 model today 100 tomorrow incorporating your phoenix
are you allright

Yours 22

500 airmailed yesterday 100 today both mounted leather folders cannot
bank avoid any possibility customs.

Since the Majestic Hotel affair on July 20 and the throwing of a bomb outside this apartment building the previous night, this morning at 2 a.m. there was another heavy explosion below my bedroom window. This time the subversive elements successfully bombed and put out of working order the transformer substation which is in a concrete building, that has the appearance of a gate house and is located on the grounds of this apartment building directly below my 2nd floor bedroom window. Following the bombing of this substation there were a number of other explosions which could be plainly heard, the following day six transformer substations were reported badly damaged. As a result of the bombing at this building, we are now without electricity and water and it will probably take a few days to restore these services.

As soon as your models arrive the Governor will show them to the Premier who will authorize the approval. I will telegraph you without delay.

[Signature]
Far Eastern Representative.

HMN/ -

Salisbury, New York
July 28, 1955

Bureau Nationale du Viet-Nam
Hanoi, Vietnam

M. M. W.
JUL 29 1955

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Yours of July 28, 1955, regarding the 100-ton motor vehicle, is received. The vehicle is being inspected by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, and the results will be reported to you as soon as possible.

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As soon as your models arrive the Governor will show them to the Premier who will authorize the removal. I will telegraph you without delay.

Very truly,
The Premier Representative

A.B.N. CO.
JUL 29 1955

July 24 1955

I had taken this up with the Banque some days before, however since your telegram was here I sent it to the Banque so they could see the interest you have taken.

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

Re: 100 and 500 models.

Your Excellency:

I have received another telegram from New York which again confirms they have airmailed the 500 denomination model on July 21 and the 100 denomination model on July 22. Both of these models are mounted in our usual leather folder and will be addressed to H.G. McHenry care of The Banque National du Viet-Nam, Saigon.

My New York office wonders if it is possible for the Banque Nationale to make some arrangement with the Post Office and Customs so that there will be no delay in delivery of these very important models. The airmail sent from New York on July 21 and 22 is due in Saigon on or about July 26/27th.

Any official representation you can make to the Post Office or Customs to expedite the delivery of the two (2) packages containing the models will be appreciated.

With assurances of my high esteem, I am

Yours very truly

For Eastern Representative.

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HX's telegram attached.

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JUL 29 1955

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July 24 1955
see the internet for more info on this matter but I
don't believe this is the right place to discuss it
and here I am sorry to the fact that the telegram
was sent to the wrong person and not to the
person who was supposed to receive it.



JUL 2 1955

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MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

E. W. F.
JUL 27 1955

"Via RADIO MACKAY"

Urs25 since you advise order already received and since we have informed you of our
proceeding with engravings as far as material received permits we assume alleged Manufacturers
activities present no problem stop Cable from Bangkok agents requests you call ~~them~~ earliest
to discuss what they term interesting proposals Please advise.

WFC:ALS/ed

5 p.m.

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Security/Hunt

Saigon to NewYork
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7/29/55
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M. M. W.
JUL 29 1955

Confirming my telegram July 25
Manufacturers Trust reported strongly recommending Hunt suggest appropriate action.

A few days ago "Mantrust", which I am told is the cable address for Manufacturers Trust NY telegraphed the Governor of the Banque Nationale along the following lines.

"Our valued and esteemed client Security Banknote Company is sending their representative William Hunt for consultation with you would appreciate your welcoming him Mantrust"

In my letter of June 30, I advised you that Hunt had applied for a visa through the Viet-Nam Embassy Washington, at that time the desired visa was not granted whether or not he has been able to obtain one since then I do not know.

However, I do know Mr Allen Far Eastern Representative of the Manufacturers Trust New York is due in Saigon before August 2nd he has been here before on an introduction visit. I understand his principals have extended financial facilities of some sort to a Vietnamese firm the head of which is a close friend of the Premier and of the Governor. Apparently acting on instructions from his head-office Allen is doing everything he possibly can to advance the interests of Hunt/Security through their Vietnamese connection, while his New York office is doing their part by telegraphing direct to the Governor of the Banque.

Vietnamese are unfamiliar with these Hunt high pressure tactics and so they have taken the Mantrust recommendation seriously. Mantrust and their Mr Allen have also apparently fallen for the Hunt line and are going all out to produce.. This sort of thing must be stopped.

W. J. Seary
Far Eastern Representative.

JUL 29 1955
M. M. W.

Letter to New York
July 28 1955

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Letter to New York
Security Division

Continued by letter July 28
Manufacturers Trust reported strongly recommending that urgent
action be taken.

A few days ago "Manufacturers Trust" which I am told is the
cable address for Manufacturers Trust NY telegraphed the Governor
of the State National Bank the following lines.

"Our valued and esteemed client Security Banknote Company
is sending their representative William Hunt for consultation
with you would appreciate your welcoming him tomorrow."

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applied for a visa through the Vietnamese Embassy in Washington, at that
time the desired visa was not wanted whether or not he has been able
to obtain one since then I do not know.

However, I do know Mr. Allen, a former representative
of the Manufacturers Trust Bank is in Saigon before Hunt and
he has been before an immigration official. I understand his
representative have extended financial facilities of some sort to a Viet-
namese firm the head of which is a close friend of the former and of
the Governor. Apparently acting on instructions from his most-often
letter in Saigon everything is possible can be done in the interests of
Manufacturers Trust Bank Vietnamese connection. This is the only
office he doing their part by telegraphing direct to the
the Bureau.



JUL 29 1955

Vietnamese are well-known with these firms
twice and so they have taken the Manufacturers Trust Banknote
Manufacturers and their in Saigon have also previously taken for the
line and are doing all out to produce... This sort of thing will be
stopped.

For Secretary Representative

July 26, 1955

RE. VWP 45
JUL 27 1955

*Specimen Room
did not return
original of this
memo: destroyed
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Memorandum to Specimen Room:

Specimen # S71674 -
Fidelity-Phenix Fire Insurance Company of New York

This Specimen, sent to Mr. McNeary at Saigon, Viet-Nam,
has now been returned mutilated, with the following explanation (see
McNeary letter of July 20th):

"In order to avoid creating the impression that our
engravings are used for various clients, I deeply
regret it was necessary to cut the vignette out of
the specimen. Enclosed herewith are all parts of
the specimen."

MMW:ed
Enclosures

Manager Foreign Department

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Letter from Domingo written July 19th posted July 21 Manila
and received in Saigon July 25. - there are direct flights from
Manila to Saigon which take only 5 hours the letter was probably
delayed in the Manila post office. - only goes to show one cannot
depend on published schedules.-

The Bank has a man at the post office in the hope your 500 model
might arrive today.-

Saigon July 26th 1955
Very hot and Humid

Man

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G. J. McNeary
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July 27, 1955

Mr. Arnold Reece
Art Director
Bronx Plant

B. W. W.
JUL 28 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

In confirmation of our conversation of this morning, the following is quoted from Mr. McNeary's cable ^{of} today regarding signatures on the 100 and 500 piastre models:

"Make left signature same size as right signature Then make both slightly larger but not thicker Right signature can slant toward horizontal but keep vertical as possible Rush specimen stop Delete ABNCo. imprint".

Mr. McNeary also requests that we telegraph him a description of the frame design used for the pagoda.

MMW:ed

Manager Foreign Department

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

VRUSH PHOTOGRAPH BOTH MODELS 500 POORLY PACKED FACE BADLY MESSEDUP
PART OF BORDER AND OTHER ENGRAVINGS INCLUDING VIGNETTE SLIPPED INTO
ONE PILE IMPOSSIBLE OBTAIN IDEA DESIGN OR APPROVAL STOP BACK
SLIGHTLY MESSEDUP STOP TELEGRAPH DESCRIPTION FRAME DESIGN USED
FOR PAGODA STOP MAKE LEFT SIGNATURE SAME SIZE AS RIGHT

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SIGNATURE THEN MAKE BOTH SLIGHTLY LARGER BUT NOT THICKER RIGHT
SIGNATURE CAN SLANT TOWARDS HORIZONTAL BUT KEEP VERTICAL AS POSSIBLE
RUSH SPECIMEN STOP DELETE ABNCO IMPRINT STOP AWAITING HUNDRED MODEL
STOP URS25 IMPOSSIBLE FORECAST DEPARTURE DATE
TELEGRAPHING FISYND

Thailand

FI FM 113 BANKNOTE NEWYORK 500 MESSEDUP VIGNETTE URS25 FISYND

A. L. S.
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"Via ALL AMERICA"

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Ur27 photographs sent today stop Reconstruct pagoda frame by placing sections
approximately oneeighth inch wide vertical on right and left vignette with beading
inside stop Between title and top of frame sections place small 500's off center
vignette
outward stop Large 500 counters separated from/frame with small pieces medallion
work rest on signature panel stop Sending specimen new signatures soonest.

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mmw/ans.

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Air Mail
July 27, 1955

Mr. H.G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam
79-81 rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Dear Mr. McNeary:

We have your cable of today advising us of the poor condition in which the 500 piastre model arrived. We are very disappointed and fear that the same will have happened to the 100.

Your description of the damage would indicate that the special type of wax we use for assembling the various parts of the model must have been softened by rather intense heat somewhere en route. This could account for the slipping and piling up of the pieces. We do not recall any previous similar experience with bank note models.

Photographs of both models are being forwarded herewith. They give a clear picture of our modeling and should be adequate for obtaining immediate approval. You will note that the denominational counter on the back of the 500, and the area surrounding it, do not photograph as accurately as other parts of the models owing to the very fine-line engraving, plus the fact that in such instances the color blue does not come out strongly. However, you may have salvaged enough of the back to appreciate the real strength of the design that will show when printed.

The signatures are being modified in accordance with your suggestions and we shall forward new specimens as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

Enclosures
MMW:ed

Manager Foreign Department

see 8/24

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VIA AIR MAIL



This letter contained the photographs
of the 100 and 500 denomination models
received by me 11 am August 3 1955

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Mr. H. G. McNeary

c/o Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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500 denomination model

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Confirming telegram of July 27.

Rush photographs both models 500 poorly packed face badly messed up part of border and other engravings including vignette slipped into one pile impossible obtain idea design or approval stop back slightly messed up stop telegraph description frame design used for pagoda stop make left signature same size as right signature then make both slightly larger but not thicker right signature can slant towards horizontal but keep vertical as possible rush specimen stop delete ABNCo imprint stop awaiting Hundred model stop departure indefinite telegraphing Syndicate.

I have your letter of July 21, you no doubt were pleased with the model of the 500 denomination and it was my hope the Bank would also be pleased and find the model satisfactory and approve it without delay.

Unfortunately the model was very poorly packed, it was in a heavy yellow envelope, without corrugated cardboard protection. The back of that section of the leather folder which displays the face model showed evidence of having been under some very heavy pressure. The pressure bent the folder and disturbed the adhesive which held the fine pieces of the engravings to the model, a great number of the pieces became loose and with the man-handling mail bags usually get, loose pieces of the border and all of the face material including the vignette and some of the lower border and part of the signature panel, the signature titles and the signatures all were in a pile of bits and pieces in the lower part of the cardboard frame which holds the model to the silk lining.

The model was so completely fouled up that it was impossible to form a definite idea of what the face design was really like and so it could not be approved. As far as the face was concerned there was little to see except some incomplete border.

The Governor is concerned about the type of frame used for the vignette, from the bits and pieces of engravings I believe you may have used a simple vertical frame, if so, I am afraid this will not have the Governor's or Premier's approval. Since I could not tell him how the pagoda was framed I telegraphed you for a description.

The signatures were among the loose engravings, you said they were small, and they are small. The Governor said the signatures should both be the same size; the right one is larger, so the left signature should be made the same size as the right signature and then both should be made slightly larger, but not thicker.

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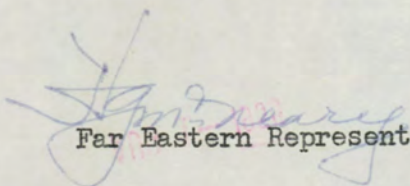
Since the signature titles and signatures were loose and as part of the lower border and some of the signature panel was not in place we could not determine just where or how the signatures were shown on your model. (if the 100 denomination comes through undamaged we may have an idea of how they were placed on the 500 model)

You said that if the Bank should want the signatures larger and/or thicker you could accommodate them but you might have to extend the larger signature slightly into the lower border or place it in a more horizontal position. The Governor has agreed that the right signature can be slanted towards the horizontal, but since the signing officer does sign as shown in the specimen sent you, the signature must be kept in as vertical a position as possible. In order to avoid mistakes it is advisable to airmail a specimen of the signatures as you propose to show them.

The imprint of the American Bank Note Company is to be deleted from the face and back of the notes.

On the back model the penalty clause and small scrolls were loose and out of place, and while the balance of the back model was in place it showed signs of having been under pressure. Perhaps when the Governor sees the back of the 100 denomination he may approve the back of the 500.

The Governor checked the **Vietnamese** words and accent marks and found them to be correct. ✓


Far Eastern Representative

HMN

Since the signature titles and signatures were loose and as part of the lower border and some of the signature panel was not in place we could not determine just where on how the signatures were shown on your model. (If the 100 denomination comes through unchanged we may have an idea of how they were placed on the 500 model).

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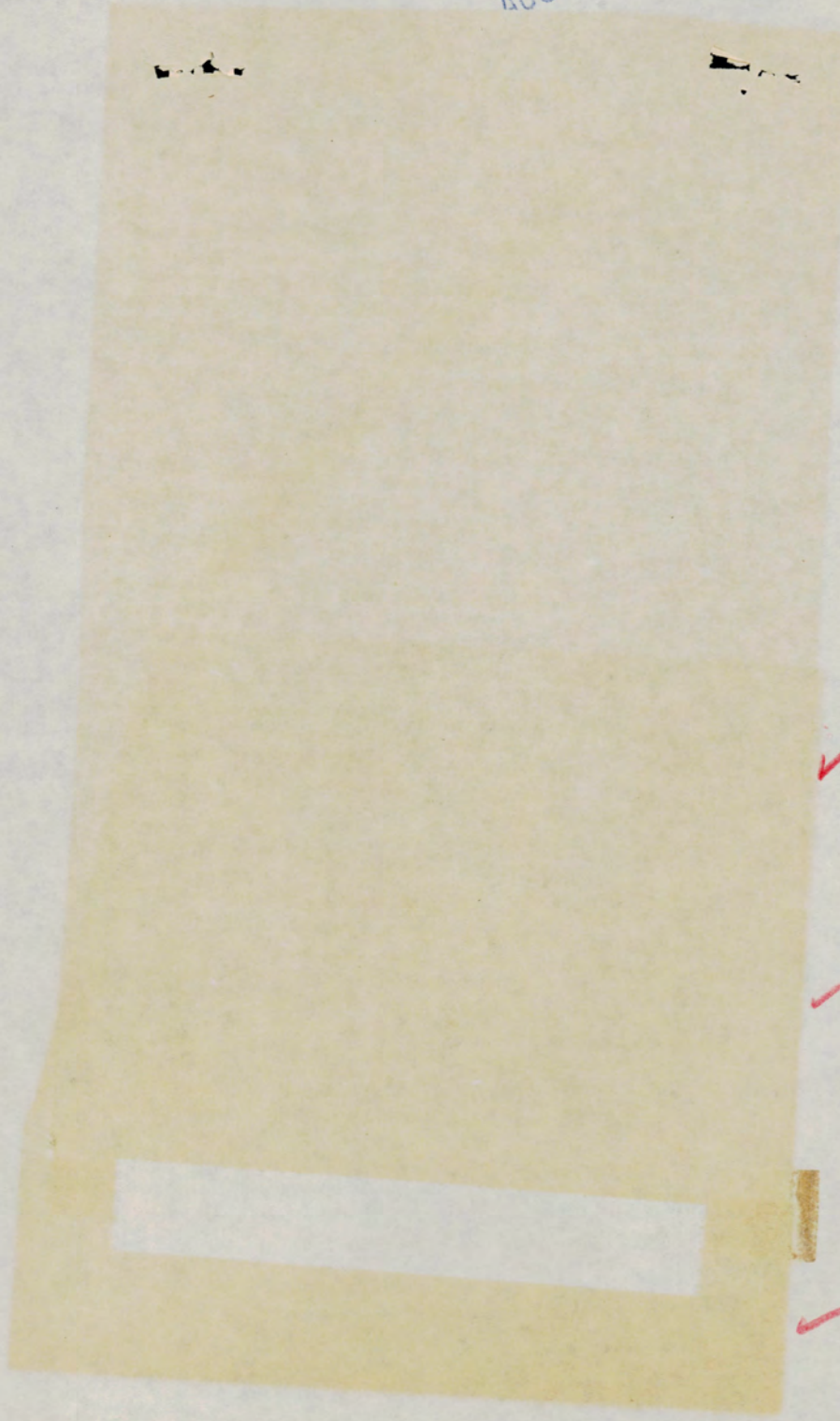
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Political Confusion Grows in Viet Nam

It is now almost six months since Viet Nam, Cambodia and Laos achieved independence from France and from each other, and nearly a year since the Geneva Agreement which ended the war and led to the partitioning of Viet Nam. And yet for all three states, particularly Viet Nam, the outlook is as unsettled as ever. With talks due to be held with the Communist Viet Min, about the all-Viet Nam elections that must be held by July 1956, the southern half of Viet Nam is embroiled in civil war and political indecision which are lowering the stock of the southern regime in the eyes of the people and increasing the threat of its absorption by the communists after the polls. And that could be the thin end of the wedge into the rest of South East Asia.

The fighting in the Saigon area is between the government forces and the private armies of the two politico-religious groups known as Hoa Hao and Cao Dai, and a rebel organisation, Binh Xuyen. The Prime-Minister, Ngo Diem in turn has quarrelled with the absent Chief of State, Bao Dai, denying his continued authority, spurning his last minute offer to help restore order and forming a new government without the Emperor's approval. And pressure against Bao Dai has come from other quarters—from the "revolutionary committee" in Saigon, and from a council of his own imperial family which claims to have dismissed him. These developments are further confused by the fact that France and the USA do not see eye to eye over their policies towards Viet Nam. Washington supports Mr. Diem, whilst Paris does not, and the closer trade and economic relations France is seeking with Ho Chi Minh's regime are naturally not meeting with American favour.

Economic Conditions in South Viet Nam

It is against this background that Viet Nam is trying to strengthen its economy and deal with the problems of independence and peace. One of the biggest legacies of the war is the resettlement of the 500,000-odd refugees, who need food, accommodation and a livelihood. In addition to its two year development scheme, covering transport, communications, public administration and agriculture, which is new in operation, the government began in March a large scale land reform programme designed to raise the country's living standards. This plan aims to formalise relations between landlord and tenant, limit annual rents to a maximum

of 25 per cent of the crop, and bring over half a million hectares of arable but fallow land back into cultivation again by the 1955-56 season.

The fighting has naturally unsettled business and the prospect of a gradual withdrawal of the French Expeditionary Force, whose spending has long been good for trade, is having a similar effect. But economic conditions have improved in some respects. Foreign trade has increased—exports last year, including those of Cambodia and Laos, were in the neighbourhood of Piastres 3,434 million (\$98 million), and imports Piastres 11,985 million (\$342 million). After rising sharply last year, rice shipments in the first two months of 1955 were running at rather less than half the comparable 1954 level, but prices have tended to harden. And exports of rubber rose from 12,210 tons to 12,494 tons between the same two periods. The cost of living, though appreciably higher than in the previous year, levelled off at 209 (1948 = 100) during the final quarter of last year; and it may be that the end of the war and the fall in spending by foreign troops may bring to an end Viet Nam's persistent inflation.

The Changing Trade Pattern

Another notable development in recent months is that Viet Nam's trade is becoming less dependent on France. French exports to Viet Nam averaged \$19 million a month in 1954, or \$3 million less than in 1953, and accounted for 71 per cent of Viet Nam's imports against 79 per cent, and this trend continued in the first two months of the current year. This is inevitable now that Viet Nam is independent, and is given impetus by two factors—the falling off in Expeditionary Corps expenses, which have hitherto filled the huge gap in Viet Nam's trade with France, and the agreement made with France last December, for American dollar aid to be made to Viet Nam directly instead of via France—that is, in dollars instead of francs. With dollars in their pockets, the Viet Nameese will be turning to USA and elsewhere for their imports.

period of at least 10 years and that regular remittances of earnings would be allowed.

THAILAND

Local Business Still Depressed

There has been little improvement during the past quarter in internal business conditions. Although the improvement in rubber prices and shipments has continued to increase commercial activity in the southern part of the country, the outlook remains generally dull and confidence is lacking. Falling rice prices have more than offset the recent rise in the actual quantity shipped and purchasing power continues to suffer. Money and credit are still generally tight.

A prime influence on internal business has been the frequent changes in the government's trade policy. The rush to import before restrictions were imposed led to overbuying, and since internal purchasing power had fallen, merchants were left with heavy stocks which have not yet been cleared.

Import Controls Beginning To Work

Import control now appears to be having some effect. After falling steadily for over eighteen months, the foreign currency reserves began to turn upwards from last July onwards and by February 1955 had reached \$171 million, the highest level since the end of 1953. The value of imports in the final quarter of last year was Baht 1,564 million, compared with Baht 1,796 million in July-September, Baht 1,801 million in March-June, and Baht 1,815 million during the last three months of 1953.

The effect of import control is also shown by the fact that internal prices after falling for most of last year, began to turn upwards from December onwards. In February, the cost of living (base 1948 = 100) reached 138, or about the level of last mid-summer. And a further rise is probable, if imports are kept down and stocks worked off.

Minor Relaxation in Import Control

Local traders jump at the slightest indication of an improvement in the trade balance and claim that it justifies a relaxation of controls on imports. The authorities, however, are at present likely to do this only on a small scale. Thus eight items—skimmed milk, biscuits, tomato paste, fats and oils other than margarine, ice cream powder, jams,

percent. The gunny sack and sugar factories are to be developed until they produce adequate amounts for domestic consumption of internationally accepted quality.

Nonburi Paper Factory

A survey team of Thai officials and a Frenchman sent by the National Economic Development Co., to determine the best site for a new paper factory, returned to Bangkok from a month's tour of the northern, northeastern and central areas with recommendation that the factory be established in Nonburi. Raw materials are available in the Nonburi area, its location near Bangkok is favorable, and it is a center for transportation of raw materials from other parts of the country. Bamboo grows plentifully along the river near Nonburi and the part of the rice plant to be mixed with the bamboo in paper-making is cheap there. Paper for letter-writing will be made first, with newsprint for newspapers to be made later. The factory will produce 60 tons per day, more than the amount produced at the Kanburi factory.

Television

A shipment of 1,000 television sets, the first ever for Thailand, has arrived and is sold to the public at 6,000 baht per set including installation and three months service guarantee. The sets are RCA make. Other sets will be imported later. Television programs in Bangkok started on National Day, June 24. The 1,000 TV sets have screens from 17 inches to 21 inches wide. They are able to pick up programs a distance of 100 kilometers away. There are plans to give free television shows.

New Highways

A five year national highway program involving building of 31 new highway routes, repair or reconstruction of 96 old ones, and building of 58 concrete highway bridges, has

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THIS TITLE PANEL MUST BE BELOW TOPBORDER/STOP/WANTS MORE ORNATE
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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

July 29, 1955

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

I telephoned Mr. John Dean (FOA, Washington, D.C.) and gave him the substance of our communications with the Banque regarding payment for the bank note order. I asked that he give me his interpretation.

Mr. Dean explained that FOA had set up \$8,000,000 at The First National City Bank of New York for expenditure by Viet-Nam. However, before Viet-Nam can draw against these funds, it must advise Washington of the specific purpose and obtain authorization to earmark a given sum for the project at hand. Viet-Nam then sends instructions to the City Bank, which, upon confirmation from FOA of the authority, is ready to make the expenditure against the so-called "unblocked" sum.

Mr. Dean further confirmed that Viet-Nam has asked FOA for approval to pay the ABNCo. the sum of our quotation plus 10% for unforeseen contingencies, and has been granted the authorization to instruct City Bank appropriately.

Murray M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:ed

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FOA AUTHORIZED PAYMENT/CITIBANK INSTRUCTIONS LATER/STOP/ADDITION

MY 28TH CHANGE TOP CORNER COUNTERS SAME TWO PESO

FI BANKNOTE NEWYORK FOA 28TH TOP TWO PESO

W.M.M.
JUL 29 1955
A.B.N.CO



JUL 29 1955

This cable from you was prepared for the Governor of the Bank to see,
he kept the copy

Telegram from New York

from New York July 29 received Saigon July 30

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FOR ALL CHANGES REQUESTED IN YOUR TELEGRAMS 28th and 29th
MUST ADD APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS TO THE THREE ALREADY LOST
SINCE MAKING DELIVERY PROMISE STOP

HOWEVER TO MAKE ABOVE CHANGES EXCEPT FOR PRESENT SIZE TRACTOR
WHICH ENGRAVING NOW WELL UNDER WAY BUT CHANGING VIGNETTE FRAME
AND INCREASING HORIZONTAL AREA ABOUT 10 MM WITH LITTLE IF ANY
VERTICAL INCREASE ELABORATING BACKGROUND AS REQUESTED WOULD
MINIMIZE DELAY TO WEEK OR LESS BEYOND THAT ALREADY LOST PROVIDED
THIS PLAN WHICH WE STRONGLY ADVISE IS APPROVED AT ONCE STOP
ARE CONTINUING WITH BOTH BACKS CORRECTING ACCOUNT OVER DONE
STOP SINCE SUBMITTING QUOTATION BANK HAS ASKED NUMEROUS
CHANGES INCLUDING VIGNETTES AND THE UNEXPECTED ENGRAVING OF THE
PHOENIX STOP THERE IS ADDITIONAL EXPENSE INVOLVED IN ADDITION
TO VALUABLE LOSS OF TIME IN ALL THESE CHANGES STOP WHEN MAY WE
EXPECT NATIONAL CITY BANK INSTRUCTIONS YOUR LETTERS 23 25 and
COPIES 232422 received. W.F.Coleclough

Frank Schiff - Federal Reserve Bank - ~~xxx~~ FOA Finance Man, authorized
Banque to use Citybank funds, Governor of Bank said he wrote Citibank.
Schiff tells me the funds will be set aside and only used for ABNCo
order.9 You should have news from the Citibank about the time you
receive this letter. -

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Saigon Viet-Nam
July 28 1955

M. M. W.

AUG -2 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam.

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AUG -3 1955

Seen by
AHS

Re: proposed changes to 100 denomination face.

Your Excellency:

Following our conversation on the afternoon of July 28th with regard to your suggested changes to the face of the 100 denomination I sent a 170 word ordinary telegram to New York outlining the various alterations you mentioned which included - a variation of the back steel tint for the face - change in lettering of the Banks name and the use of the panel and lettering like the Banco de Mexico 1 Peso. - increasing the horizontal measurement of the vignette from 45 to 55 millimeters or more to include more of the country side to the right and left of the tractor - also a request to increase the vertical measurement of the vignette - and I asked what maximum measurement increase could be made in tractor - the frame of the vignette to be changed to one more ornate - and that the shape of the denominational counter should be changed. I asked what delay in shipment the foregoing changes would cause and in addition - what changes could be effected with the minimum delay - in addition it was requested that attention be given the face of the driver so that he would not have the shadow of his hat on his face - I also told New York that both accent marks in the word "Dong" were to be over the letter "O" and that there was no accent mark over the letter "N" in "DONG" - and I reminded them about the Phoenix having feathers. - In this telegram I confirmed to New York that you had approved both the back of the 500 denomination and the back of the 100 denomination.

The telegram was completed and despatched at 10 p.m. Saigon time July 28th which is approximately 10a.m. July 28th NewYork time, the cable probably reached my NewYork office after lunch hour. Instructions or in writing covering such a very wide range of changes must have the attention of our designing, engraving and siderographic departments and when they have estimated the time such changes will take it is then the problem of the availability of printing equipment which must be taken into consideration before a final answer can be given. It is evident New York could not obtain all the vital information within the short time left so that I could have their answer today, I may have the reply tomorrow.

You of course appreciate the tractor scene is merely a reduced photographic reproduction, in photographing a photograph details are always lost, this is inevitable, the reduction is shown only to give a general idea and has no relation whatsoever to the artists engraving except as to size. The final art engraving will be a work of artistic contrasts and tonal values, every important feature of the vignette will be clearly defined, these fine qualities are inherent in our work.

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque National du Viet-Nam

July 29 1955

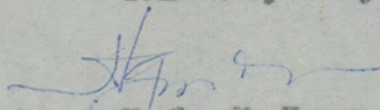
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I would like to assure you that it is the high artistic quality of our work on which our excellent reputation is based and in this regard we have but one quality and that quality is of the highest artistic excellence. It is sometime difficult for one to visualize a finished steel engraved and intaglio printed bank note when viewing only a model. However, you have seen specimens of our work and have admired its fine quality, you will have noted that the quality is uniform for every Bank and Country, that same high standard will be in your bank notes, of that you can be certain, for as I have mentioned before we have only one quality and that is our best, and we will produce nothing less than our very best. I am confident you will be pleased with the bank notes we are entrusted to furnish you.

I shall be pleased to call at your office as soon as I receive New York's reply regarding the suggested changes.

With assurances of my highest esteem, I am

Yours very truly



H. G. Mc Neary.
Far Eastern Representative
American Bank Note Company

HGM

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M. M. W.

AUG -2 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

Re: 500 Face Model Damaged in Transit.

Your Excellency:

On July 27 I telegraphed New York and reported the extent of the unfortunate and unprecedented damage to the face of the 500 denomination. I asked New York to telegraph a description of the frame design used for the Pagoda and also advised New York that the left signature should be the same size as the right signature and that both signatures should then be slightly enlarged but not made thicker and that the right signature could be slanted towards the horizontal but to keep it as vertical as possible.

In reply New York telegraphed they airmailed photographs of the models on July 27 and said the Pagoda frame could be reconstructed by placing sections of engravings which are approximately one/eighth inch wide in a vertical position on the right and left of the vignette with the beading facing the Pagoda, and between the title and top of frame section the small 500's are to be placed off center outwards, the large denominational counters are separated from the vignette frame with small medallion work and rest on the signature panel. Specimens of the new size of the signature will be mailed as soon as possible, you will then see the exact size of the signatures which New York proposes using.

Because the unfortunate damage caused to the face model is so extensive, it is impossible for me to restore the model to its original condition, to do this exacting work the model would have to be returned to New York and completely remade, this would take considerable time. However, in order that you can see how the model is designed a photograph of it was mailed from New York on the 27th of July and this photograph should arrive in Saigon the 1st or 2nd of August.

We deeply regret this unfortunate accident to the model, it is beyond our control, and is indeed unprecedented, the folder which protects the model is extremely strong and never in my 36 years experience has any accident of any sort happened to our models while in transit.

Following your verbal approval of the backs of the 100 and 500 denomination models, I telegraphed New York you had approved them. This work will now be pushed to completion as quickly as the high standard of our product will permit. It is important that the face models also be approved as quickly as possible because they contain engravings which will need other types of art work, as you will have seen the models are composed of a great number of different pieces of engraving, these must all be combined in one perfect unit and that takes considerable skill and time.

With assurances of my highest esteem, I am

HMMN

Yours very truly

M. M. W.
Aug - 2 1955

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

AUG 22 1955



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W. F. C.

100 and 500 denominations.
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Saigon July 31
to New York

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M. M. W.

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A.L.S.

Confirming exchange of telegrams.

Yours 29.

for all changes requested yours 2829 add approximately three weeks to three weeks already lost since making delivery promise stop however to make above changes except for present size tranter which engraving now well advanced but changing vignette frame and increasing horizontal area about 10mm with little if any vertical increase elaborating background as suggested would minimize delay to week or less beyond that already lost provided this plan which we strongly advise is approved at once stop are continuing with both backs only correcting accent over Dong however fail to understand reference proper Phoenix feathers our model is exact photographic reproduction Banks drawing stop since submitting quotation Bank has asked numerous changes including unexpected engraving Phoenix stop should we quote additional two thousand dollars if not please use consideration discreetly whatever advantage stop when can be expected citibank instructions so can appropriately acknowledge order stop your letters 2325 and copies 222324 received thanks.

Ours July 30.

yrs 29 disregard major changes stop original hundred face model approved without change except include variation back steeltint on face correct accent marks in Dong enlarge signatures as previously instructed when engraved Phoenix must look like has feathers banks sketch only roughly drawn stop five hundred face also approved except include face steeltint variation hundred face tint correct accent marks Dong awaiting photograph for approval of frame believe will be acceptable regret incapable reconstructing damaged model Citibank instructions mailed rush work extremely urgent bank insists absolutely imperative earliest delivery what quantity available October shipment. suggest your sending Governor french telegram assuring fullest cooperation prospects further business.

I trust this telegram is understood, I expected to receive your confirmation here on Sunday July 31 but no telegram has arrived so I will not receive anything from you until Tuesday.- I would again suggest that all telegrams of importance be acknowledged. -

The face of the 100 model is approved without change except for the addition of the steeltint on the face, the Governor does not like the white spaces. - when he saw the the models he was in a panic, said he couldn't possible have notes that looked like that and as you could gather from my telegram nothing remained but to satisfy him. - I tried to see the Governor earlier in the morning but Bill Hunt was with him from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. --and then it was my turn from 2.30pm until 6pm. The white part of the face is have a variation of the steeltint which appears on the back of the note, I trust this is clear. - and as instructed in my telegram of July 27th the signatures are to be made larger, in your reply of the 27th you said specimens of the signatures would be sent soon.- however if this change in signatures is to cause any delay the signatures which now appear on the model can be used. Also as explained in my telegram of the 28, the accent marks in the word "DONG" must be over the "O" there is to be no accent mark over the "N" - so the letter "O" carries 2 accent marks.

100 and 500 Denomination
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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Saigon to New York
July 31 1955

The vignette on the back of the 100 denomination, is only a photograph of a rough sketch of a Phoenix drawn by the Banks draftsman, I thought this sketch would be recognized as such; The phoenix is a feathered bird with fancy tail feathers, like the phoenix in your engraving this phoenix must look like it has feathers. They greatly admired the work of your Phoenix.

Handwritten:
Memo
to Engaging
Dept.
8/4.

Face of the Five Hundred Model. is also approved with the exception that the face must include a steeltint, a variation of the steel tint used for the face of the 100 denomination. (the Governor disliked the white space, although he did see the Republica Dominicana 1 Peso note and also US notes, and was told that is the way his notes would look)

The accent marks in "DONG" are to be corrected.-- Both accent marks should be over the letter "O", - there is to be no accent mark over the letter "N".

Frame of Pagoda. The Governor is reserving his approval of the frame of the vignette until the arrival of the photograph which you mailed July 27, and is due here tomorrow. He will then be able to see exactly how the vignette is framed, regardless of how it is framed I believe he will approve it.

Damaged model. unfortunately the face of the 500 model was so badly messed up that, I regret, I am incapable of restoring it to its original condition. In my letter of July 29, Paragraph 3 - I advised the Governor "it was impossible for me to restore the model to its original condition to do this exacting work the model would have to be returned to New York and completely remade". He then approved the model and said he would like to see how the vignette was framed before approving that particular section of the face.

ABNCO. IMPRINT The company imprint is to be deleted as previously advised in my letter of July 27, page 2. -

The notes are very urgently needed. - The Governor insists that it is absolutely imperative that he has a shipment available early in October. I have informed him on several occasions the change in vignettes and the sending of the models to Saigon for approval would cause a delay. I gave him a copy of your telegram of July 29 at 10.30a. m. July 30, and it is clearly stated "add approximately three weeks to the three weeks already lost since making delivery promise. so he has been informed three weeks have already been lost, this was of course beyond our control.

A SUGGESTION I would like to suggest that you send the Governor a telegram written in French, along the lines of fullest cooperation, appreciation of confidence placed in us, that you have given his order top priority etc etc etc. If the telegram is written in French he will be able to read it without calling in someone to translate it for him. The Governor is the Mandarin type, in his early sixties, author of several French books. He is highly regarded and is very exacting. - Telegrams should be signed by W.F.Colclough, President. Titles are extremely important here as elsewhere in the Far East.

Handwritten signature: W.F. Colclough
Far East Representative.

Handwritten:
See 8/4/55



A.B.N.CO.

Relief
8/1/55
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HAVE YOU RECEIVED MY THIRTIETH ADVISING BOTH FACES APPROVED
WITHOUT CHANGE EXPECT ^{SP} INCLUDE STEELTINT ON FACES CORRECT DONG
ACCENT MARKS STOP ENLARGE SIGNATURES AS INSTRUCTED PROVIDED
DOESNT CAUSE DELAY STOP NO SHADOW DRIVERS FACE STOP EXPECT
PHOTOGRAPHS TOMORROW IMPERATIVE RUSH WORK

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"Via ALL AMERICA"

Urs301 Proceeding faces backs both denominations exactly as photographs except for inclusion tint both faces enlargement signatures improvement drivers face and addition feathers phoenix stop Assume arrangement dong accents on back 500 correct as taken from enclosure urltr June 29 stop Will advise new delivery promise soonest after full assurances all details definitive As you know everything will be done minimize delays suffered stop Will cable Governor shortly stop Is letter credit being made valid 15 months from present date to cover any contingencies.

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3:30 p.m.

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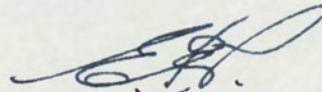
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Mr. Sauter, Assistant Vice President, The First National City Bank of New York, telephoned me today that instructions had been received to pay us, on receipt of shipping papers, etc., the sum of \$598,500 plus 10% to cover contingencies. He said that the instructions do not request The First National City Bank to open a confirmed irrevocable letter of credit, the instructions reading: "When time comes please effect this payment and debit our account." He further advised that there is no expiration date mentioned, but that the instructions include authority to pay us on presentation of certificates of manufacture if shipping facilities are not available when we are ready to ship.

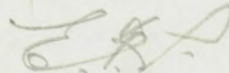
I discussed this with Mr. Schomp and Mr. Wise and they agreed that the credit should run for fifteen months, to November 1, 1956. I so advised Mr. Sauter, who will send a cable today requesting authority to open a confirmed irrevocable credit in our favor to expire on this date. I requested him to be sure that the credit permits payment against partial shipments, to which he replied that in the absence of instructions to the contrary The First National City would pay on submission of papers for partial shipments.



EFP:ed

Treasurer

*Mr. Sauter also advised that
F.O.A. was in this transaction.*



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OURS AUGUST ONE FORWARDED TODAY PHOTOGRAPHS NEW MODELS

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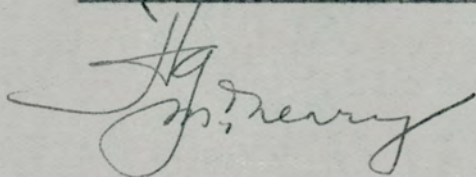
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SENDER

HENRY MCNeary

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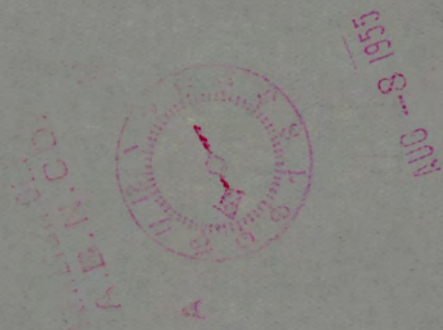
55 Rue Flandin. - August 2 1955 .



The apartment boy took this telegram to the post office at 7pm this evening and as he approached the main building of the post office a bomb exploded inside the building, he reports a number of people badly hurt, and returned without sending the telegram. - you may read of this latest affair in your papers

I might add that I will be pleased to leave Saigon. -

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AUG - 8 1952
U.S. B.



The merchant boy took this telegram to the post office at
New York this evening and as he approached the main building of
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a number of people badly hurt, and returned without sending the
telegram. - You may read of this latest affair in your papers.

I might add that I will be pleased to leave before.

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Air Mail
August 2, 1955

Mr. H. G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam

79-81 rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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AUG - 3 1955

Dear Mr. McNeary:

We received your cables of July 30th and August 1st yesterday morning, advising us to proceed with the faces of both denominations without incorporating the major changes that had been suggested in your cables of July 28th and 29th. We threw everything into action and by very special effort were able to have both faces completely remodeled and in the Broadstreet office by this afternoon, along with the respective photographs, which we are forwarding by airmail now.

You will note that we have now incorporated the tint as requested by the Bank, have corrected the signatures as suggested and have placed both accents over the "O" in Dong. The shadows on the driver's face cannot be corrected on the photograph. However, the face will be made light in the process of engraving. On these faces the accents are placed more directly over the "O" than they are on the back of the 500. Since the latter are more in keeping with the arrangements shown in the enclosure of your letter of June 29th, we would appreciate your informing us which arrangement the Bank prefers.

We are sure that you will appreciate the efficiency with which we have remodeled these faces and been able to get the photographs on the way to you.

Sincerely yours,

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

Encl.

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Saigon Viet-Nam
August 2nd 1955

H.B. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam.

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Regarding new shipping schedule:

Your Excellency:

J. W. B.
AUG -8 1955
A. L. S.
AUG -8 1955

On Saturday July 30th, following your approval of the face and back of the 100 and 500 denomination, with the one exception of the frame of the vignette for the 500 model, I telegraphed New York of your approval and of the one exception with regard to the frame. I also instructed New York to disregard the changes you requested on July 28, and to proceed with the work as quickly as possible because the notes are urgently needed by you and to telegraph their new shipment promise. I have to-day received New York's reply which reads as follows.

Telegram from New York August 1 received August 2.

"Refer to your telegram July 30 August 1 we are proceeding with the work on the face and backs of both denominations exactly as per models and photographs except for the inclusion of the extra steel tint on both faces stop enlargement of signatures stop improvement of the driver's face stop addition feathers phoenix stop correction of accent marks over the G in Dong stop assume arrangement of dong accent marks on back of 500 denomination model is correct stop will advise new shipment promise immediately after full assurances all details are definitive stop as you know everything is and will be done to minimize delays suffered stop is the National City Bank instructed make payments valid for 18 months period from present date to cover any unforeseen contingencies".

The photograph of the 500 face model has not yet arrived, so I cannot at this moment show you the exact detailed composition of the pagoda vignette frame; however, our designers claim it is in keeping with the balance of the face design and if you can see your way clear to approve the frame, although you have not yet seen it, I will then be able to

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H.B. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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give New York full assurances that all details are definitive. This full assurance is important so that they can make definite working schedules. When New York gives you a shipment schedule they want it to be one you can depend on, they realize the great urgency of your needs and are anxious to make your shipments as soon and as quickly as possible, so would like to know if the 500 face vignette frame is also approved.

Your instructions with regard to this one item is very urgently solicited.

With assurances of my high esteem, I am

Yours very truly

[Signature]
Far Eastern Representative

MMH.

To
American Bank Note Company
New York.

This is to advise you all details are definitive. and approved.

[Signature]

Governor,
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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Aug 3-1955*

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AUG -8 1955

Approved Aug 11 1955

This is to certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original as submitted.

For the
Secretary of the Board

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SAIGON 80 3 1613 =

BANKNOTE NEWYORK =

YOURS FIRST DETAILS CONFIRMED STOP PHOTOGRAPHS RECEIVED 500
FACE FRAME APPROVED STOP RECEIVED FULLEST ASSURANCES ALL DETAILS
NOW DEFINITIVE PROCEED ALL SPEED MAKE EARLIEST POSSIBLE
SHIPMENT PROMISES STOP THEIR NEEDS EXTREMELY URGENT TRUST CAN
SUBSTANTIALLY MINIMIZE THREE WEEKS LOST THIS POLITICALLY VITAL
FUTURE DEPENDS ON
EARLY SHIPMENT WHEN ==

PAGE TWO ==

TELEGRAPHING USE WORD SHIPMENT INSTEAD DELIVERY STOP 500 FACE
NINE BLUE STOP GOVERNOR RECEIVED CITIBANKS TELEGRAM IS REPLYING
AUTHORIZING CITIBANK INCLUDE ALL CLAUSES REQUESTED STOP YOURS
SECOND THANKS STOP ACKNOWLEDGE +

ICFM FM 88 BANKNOTE NEWYORK FIRST 500 MINIMIZE THREE
VITAL 500 NINE BLUE CITIBANKS CITIBANK ACKNOWLEDGE +

*Replied
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NINE BLUE STOP GOVERNOR RECEIVED CITIZENS TELEGRAM IS REPLYING
AUTHORITATIVE CITIZEN ENJOY ALL CLASSES REQUESTED STOP YOURS
SECOND TRAVEL STOP ACKNOWLEDGE

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URS23 with all details now definitive understand final colors are rotary black one green
for hundred and nine blue sixtyfour orange for fivehundred are proceeding all phases work
maximum efficiency calculating new shipment schedule and preparing reply governors
order letter July eighteenth stop Are telegraphing governor direct french expressing
appreciation splendid cooperation and confidence giving fullest assurances quality work
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3:45 p.m.

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Tres reconnaissants votre demande et cooperation stop Confiants vous serez satisfait par
calite securite et apparence produit fini stop Nous ferons tout notre possible acclereler
production et nous vous promettons pleine et entiere cooperation.

BANKNOTE

WFC
MMW:ed

Trans.: Greatly appreciate your order and cooperation stop Confident you will be
pleased with quality security and appearance finished product stop We will do everything
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5-00

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copy for New York

Saigon Viet-Nam
August 3 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

FILING
AUG 19 1955

J. W. B.

AUG - 8 1955

Photographs of 100 and 500 denominations.

Your Excellency:

I have this morning received the photographs of both the 100 and 500 face and back models, which I am pleased to present herewith. These photographs were mailed in New York on July 27 and unfortunately were one week in transit instead of the usual 5 days.

The photograph of the 500 denomination face shows the complete vignette frame. Any change in this frame will unfortunately necessitate the remodeling of the entire center section of the face and result in additional delay.

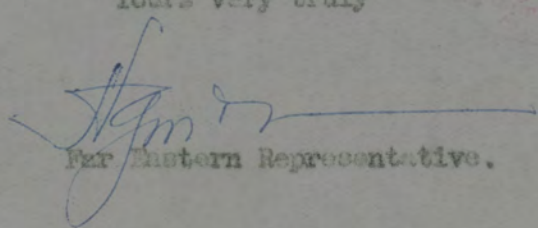
The notes as you requested will have a steel tint on the face of both denominations. The accent marks in the word "Dong" have been corrected on New York's copy of the model; both accent marks will be over the letter "O" in the word "Dong", wherever it appears. The signature on the left has been made the size of the signature on the right and then both signatures have been slightly enlarged as you requested.

New York is proceeding with the work as quickly as possible and as soon as you approve the frame of the Pagoda vignette they will be able to give you a definite shipping schedule.

New York is confident you will find the finished notes of excellent quality and well executed in all respects. They consider the designs very attractive as well as affording the maximum protection.

With assurances of my high esteem, I am

Yours very truly


Far Eastern Representative.

HON.

copy for New York

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AUG 13 1955

J. W. B.

AUG - 8 1955

The following information was received from the New York office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on August 11, 1955:

On August 11, 1955, the New York office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation advised that it had received information from a confidential source that a certain individual had been in contact with a certain individual in New York City.

The above information was received from the New York office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on August 11, 1955. The New York office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is currently conducting an investigation into the activities of certain individuals in New York City.

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AUG 8 - 1955

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SAIGON 18 - 4 - 1559

BANKNOTE

NEWYORK

YOURS THIRD CONFIRMED STOP NUMBERS TO START WITH PREFIX STOP
HISTORICAL EVENTS DEPEND UPON EXPEDITIOUS PRODUCTION

ICFM FM129 BANKNOTE NEWYORK THIRD PREFIX HISTORICAL EVENTS
DEPEND UPON EXPEDITIOUS PRODUCTION

Mr. W. F. C.

1955 AUG -4 AM 6:48
A. L. S.
AUG -4 1955

M. M. W.
AUG -4 1955

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AUG -4 1955

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W. F. C.
AUG -4 1955

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FORWARDED DEPT.
A.B.N.CO.



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AUG -- 1955
W.M.W.
AUG - 4 1955

August 4, 1955

Mr. A. P. Marcavage
Manager of the Engraving Division
Bronx Plant

FILING
AUG - 5 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Confirming our telephone conversation of this morning with regard to feathers on the Phoenix, the following paragraph is quoted from a letter of July 31st received this morning from Mr. McNeary:

"The vignette on the back of the 100 denomination is only a photograph of a rough sketch of a Phoenix drawn by the Bank's draftsman. I thought this sketch would be recognized as such. The Phoenix is a feathered bird with fancy tail feathers. Like the Phoenix in your engraving, this Phoenix must look like it has feathers. They greatly admired the work of your Phoenix."

MMW:ed

Manager Foreign Department

File

August 4, 1955

Mr. A. P. Marcavage, Manager
Engraving Division
Bronx Plant

FILING
AUG -5 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Confirming our conversation this morning, we wish to make of record that the above bank has selected colors for its notes as follows:

100 Piastres

Face - Rotary Black
Back - 1 Green

500 Piastres

Face - 9 Blue
Back - 64 Orange

We are informed that all other details are now definitive.

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

File

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Air Mail

August 4, 1955

Mr. H. G. McNeary
% Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam

79-81 rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

FILING
AUG -8 1955

Dear Mr. McNeary:

For your information, on August 3rd we telegraphed the Governor
as follows:

"Très reconnaissants votre demande et cooperation Stop
Confiants vous serez satisfait par qualité sécurité et
apparence produit fini Stop Nous ferons tout notre
possible accélérer production et nous vous promettons
pleine et entière cooperation".

Translation:

"Greatly appreciate your order and cooperation Stop
Confident you will be pleased with quality security and
appearance finished product Stop We will do everything
possible accelerate production and promise you full and
entire cooperation".

Very truly yours,

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

File

copy for New York.

Given to the Governor at 11.30 a. m. August 4th.
he is so extremely anxious to know the shipment schedule
that he really is on the verge of panic. I can assure you
this is no bed of roses. Hunt is an addition to my other
problems.

Saigon Viet-Nam
August 4 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

Re: All Details being Definitive.

FILING
AUG 19 1955

Your Excellency:

I have this morning received a reply to my telegram of yesterday addressed to our President, Mr W.F. Colclough, in my telegram I informed him that all details were now definitive and to proceed with all speed with the objective of earliest possible shipment and again acquainted him with the urgency of your needs. Mr Colclough has replied to me as follows:

Telegram from New York August 3rd received in Saigon August 4 at 10.45 a.m.
"Acknowledging your telegram of August third stop with all details now definitive understand final colors are Rotary Black and One Green for the face and back of the Onehundred denomination and Nine Blue and Sixtyfour Orange for the face and back of the Fivehundred denomination stop we are proceeding with all phases of the work with maximum efficiency and are calculating our new shipment schedule and are preparing our reply to Governors letter of July Eighteenth stop New shipment schedule will be telegraphed you soonest possible stop please assure Governor our fullest cooperation stop Trust Governor has telegraphed National City Bank.
W.F. Colclough Jr."

In the above telegram Mr Colclough has confirmed the final colors of both denominations and informed me the new shipment schedule is now being calculated and will be telegraphed to me as soon as ready; he also said that he was replying to your letter of July eighteenth in which letter you confirmed placing the order.

Mr Colclough wishes me to assure you everything will be done to fully cooperate and has asked me to give you his fullest assurances of high quality work and expeditious production.

With assurances of my high esteem, I am

Yours very truly

Far Eastern Representative.

HMM

8/10/55
Rec

[illegible]

AUG -9 1955

confirming New Yorks
Telegram of August 3rd recd Aug 4

REC'D.....LETTER.....

August 4, 1955

FILING
AUG 19 1955

P281 New York 66 August 3 1443

received Saigon 10.30 a.m. Aug 4. ✓

McNeary care Banvina Saigon

Urs 23 with all details now definitive understand final colors
are Rotary Black One Green for Hundred and Nine Blue Sixtyfour
Orange for fivehundred are proceeding all phases work maximum
efficiency calculating new shipment schedule and preparing reply
Governors order letter July eighteenth stop
are telegraphing Governor direct French expressing appreciation
cooperating and confidence given fullest assurances quality work
and expeditious production.

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See my letter of August 4th addressed to Governor quoting your telegram above.
I cannot too strongly urge "expeditious production" and earliest shipment
the Governor is impatient for news of the new schedule, impatient is a mild
word, he is frantic, his entire program of conversion depends on your
shipments, the other Governments of Cambodia and Laos apparently will not
give Viet-Nam additional time, also they are pressed by activities up North.
this is really a period of great importance. -(You might say if so important
why suggest so many changes - that phase of the proceedings was just one of
those things, there is no answer.)

[Handwritten signature]

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1955

FUNERAL DEPT.
A.B.N.CO.



AUG - 9 1955

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Banque National du Viet-Nam order for Bank notes

June 16. In Manila received cable from NY to proceed Saigon

June 17. in Manila received cable from Governor to proceed Saigon

June 18. From Manila telegraphed Governor would arrive Saigon June 24.

June 20. Proceeded to HongKong

June 21. Left HongKong arrived Bangkok

June 24. Left Bangkok arrived Saigon

June 24. Called on H.E. The Governor of Banque National du Viet-Nam

June 24. Cabled NY size of proposed note similar to Banque Belge Congo.

June 27. cabled NY vignettes would be Independence Palace and Town Hall.

June 28. received cable from NY

June 29. cabled NY notes to carry Major Tint

June 30. Airmailed first instructions to New York sent photos of Palace and Town Hall which were to be used,

July 2. New York telegraphed project feasible provided Models approved NY

July 6. NY telegraphed photos Palace & Town Hall not yet received.

July 8. Premier changes face vignettes telegraphed NY re change.

July 9. NY cabled change of vignettes will cause delay.

July 9. Sent letter to Governor advising change in vignettes will of necessity cause delay in shipment schedule.

July 11. Wrote Governor advising shipment schedule as of July 7 and our quotations.

July 11. New Material, vignettes of Tractor and Pagoda sent NY by John Dean who is due in NewYork July 14.

July 11. Cabled NewYork John Dean enroute with New vignette material due July 14

July 12. New York telegraphed models would be ready in about 1 week after receipt of New vignette material sent by John Dean

July 12. Cabled NewYork to airmail their Phoenix.

July 13. Cabled New York notes to be without Major Tint - one color face and back and to send color specimen notes.

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JUL 19 1955

- July 16. Wrote Governor, that New York received new vignette material sent by Mr Dean, NY advised using tractor for face of 100 denomination and said shipping delay would equal at least every day being lost by engraving department.
- July 20. New York cabled model of 500 ready for mailing July 21 and 100 after receipt of Banque's Phoenix.
- July 20. Received from Governor his letter of July 18 confirming order.
- July 21. Wrote Governor and also sent him the 4 ABNCO specimen notes in the colors of Governor's selection.
- July 21. Airmailed Governor's letter of Confirmation dated July 18 to New York
- July 22. Wrote Governor advising airmailed 500 face and back models from New York July 21 - 100 face and back model to be mailed July 22.
- July 23. Wrote Governor regarding design proposed for 1000 denomination
- July 24. Wrote Governor advising models of 500 denomination is due July 26 and 100 denomination July 27.
- July 27. 500 model received badly damaged telegraphed New York to send photographs of both denominations
- July 28. Received telegram from New York advising photographs of both denominations had been airmailed.
- July 28. Telegraphed New York Governor disliked white spaces on face and instructed New York regarding numerous other changes which Governor requested also informed New York both backs approved.
- July 29. Wrote the Governor quoting the changes I requested New York to make.
- July 29. Wrote the Governor regarding damage to 500 denomination model, Governor approved back of 100 and 500 denominations.
- July 30. New York telegraphed for all changes requested to add approximately three weeks to the three weeks already lost since making the shipment promise I gave a typewritten copy of New York's telegram to the Governor.
- July 30. telegraphed New York to disregard major changes in my telegram of July 28 and informed them 100 face model approved except must include steel tint on face also 500 model approved except add steel tint on face - 500 face vignette frame not yet approved instructed New York rush work etc.
- August 1. Confirmed my telegram to New York of July 30 and informed New York imperative to rush work.

- August 2. Received telegram from New York advising everything possible will be done to minimize delays caused by various changes
- August 2. Wrote letter to Governor quoting New Yorks telegram and advising photographs 500 face not yet received and soliciting his approval of the 500 face vignette frame.
- August 2. Telegraphed New York the photograph of the 500 face not yet received and that the Governor was not available today and to rush work.
- August 3. Wrote the Governor advising receipt of the Photographs of both the 100 and 500 model and presented the letter to the Governor at 11 a.m. - The Governor gave me his fullest assurances that all details were now definitive.
- August 3. Telegraphed New York photographs received and have Governor's fullest assurances all details are now definitive and to proceed at all speed etc etc also told New York Governor received cable from Citibank New York regarding inclusion of irrevocable clause and validity of time for credit, this the Governor said he would authorize.
- August 4. Wrote Governor quoting New York's telegram acknowledging details definitive and confirming final colors of both denominations - as Rotary Black and One Green for the face and the back of the 100 denomination and Nine Blue and Sixtyfour Orange for the face and back of the 500 denomination. and stated New York was calculating the New shipment schedule.
- August 4. Telegraphed New York again the great importance of early shipment.

This foregoing is a list of events to date

H. J. M. [Signature]
Far Eastern Representative.

- Aug 8 HJM cable re more changes - Proofs to be approved by us.
- Aug 9 HJM cable "everything now definitive"

...will be done to maintain a high level of security...

August 2

...of the 500,000...
...and...
...and...

August 3

...of the 500,000...
...and...
...and...

August 4

...of the 500,000...
...and...
...and...

August 5

...of the 500,000...
...and...
...and...

August 6

...of the 500,000...
...and...
...and...

August 7

...of the 500,000...
...and...
...and...

August 8

This foreword is a list of words to date

[Signature]
AUG - 9 1955
FOR LIBRARY REFERENCE

FOREIGN DEPT
A.B.N.CO.
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500 -

8/17/55

begin Oct 24 - 200,000

11/2

300

FILING

11/16

500

SEP 23 1955

11/30 - 1,000,000

+ each 2 wks thereafter

1,000,000

until completed on

Jan 18, 1956 - 1,000,000

J. W. B.

A. L. G.

AUG 10 1955

AUG - 3 1955

70 to
8/9/55

See 9/8/55

PILING
SEP 23 1955

8/5/55
not used
90 containers changed

SHIPPING PROMISES FROM PLANT

July 1 - AAW to ALS

July 25 - GOW to MMW

Aug. 4 - Marcavage to WFC

Can begin deliveries
Oct. 10 if plates rec'd
as follows:

100 - face plate	Aug. 24	Sept. 14	Sept. 12
back plate	" 31	" 13	" 14
500 - not originally included	(Aug. 24)	" 22	" 13
but later AAW promise	(" 31)	" 13	" 15
same as above			

OUR PROMISE TO VIET-NAM ON JULY 6 - (No major tint)
(Mac gave this to Bank in letter of July 11)

100 - 60,000,000 Notes

Begin Oct. 10 - approx. 600,000
" 19 - " 1,000,000
Nov. - " 6,000,000
Monthly
thereafter " 7,000,000
(Finish July 15, 1956)

500 - 6,000,000 Notes

Begin Oct. 10 - approx. 200,000
" 19 - " 300,000
Monthly
thereafter - " 2,000,000
(Finish Jan 4, 1956)

MMW:sg

8/31 - to 10/10 = 34 days excluding Sundays
9/14 " 34 days = 60 days

Viet Nam

FILING
SEP 23 1955

8/1/55

Unable to obtain definitive sailing schedules to Saigon at this time. The following are approximate days of month now set up by the Steamship Lines:

Isthmian - 1 sailing a month, about the 20-22nd
Transit time to Saigon - about 50
days from New York - about 33
days from Pacific Coast

Maersk - 2 sailings a month, about the
15th and 30th. Transit time to
Saigon - about 55 days from New
York - about 36 days from Pacific
Coast.

Philippine - 1 sailing a month, about the 15th.
Transit time to Saigon - about
50-55 days, depending on the ship -
about 33-38 days from Pacific
Coast.

All vessels routed via Panama Canal
and overland shipments would connect with

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vessels of the same line, which originally sailed from New York.

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SEP 23 1955

If shipped overland by Railway Express, additional cost, based on estimated weights would amount to about 60¢ per M for the 100 Piastre notes, and about 74¢ per M for the notes of 500 Piastras.

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

August 5, 1955

FILING
SEP 23 1955

Memorandum for the Files:

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam -
Chronological development of order, with particular
attention to delays caused by changes. Our repeated
advice to Bank that original delivery promise of July 6
would have to be changed substantially when all de-
finitive details received.

June 8th: Received Bank's letter of inquiry.

June 24-25: HGM arrived Saigon, cabled first specifications and stated
October 15th delivery imperative.

June 27: We cabled would be glad cooperate, requesting materials.

" : HGM cabled further specifications, including some modifications;
inquired about Phoenix; urged us state delivery prospects.

June 29: HGM informed Governor desires major tint.

July 1st: We advised work feasible, would prepare shipping schedule.

July 6th: HGM letters of June 28, 29 and 30 arrived giving detailed instructions.

" : We prepared model schedule.

" : We cabled quotation with and without tint, and shipping schedule.

July 8th: HGM informed Governor requested change both face vignettes.
Inquired whether this would delay shipment.

" : We replied had made every sacrifice to obtain July 6th promise;
change would therefore delay shipment but will minimize.

July 10th: HGM informed Governor agreed omit major tint. Requested new
face and back colors.

" : HGM advised new materials for vignettes being forwarded with Mr. Dean.

July 11th: We asked HGM for Viet-Nam Phoenix; advised that if ours not
acceptable new engraving would require time.

Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

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FILING August 5, 1955

SEP 23 1955

July 12th: HGM wrote Bank regarding shipping delay as follows: "Much time has already been lost by changing the vignettes, and the change of the Phoenix will cause some further delay."

July 13th: HGM cabled that price and terms of payment verbally accepted. Said new shipping schedule would have to be based on approval models by Viet-Nam Ambassador, Washington (Bank would see photos only).

July 15th: Dean arrived with new materials.

" : We asked HGM if we could switch tractor and pagoda vignettes. Said that delay in shipment notes would be at least equal to every day lost by Engraving Department.

July 16th: Bank okeyed switching vignettes.

July 21st: HGM's letter with Viet-Nam Phoenix arrived.

" : We forwarded 500 model.

" : We received Bank's order-letter of July 18th.

July 22: We forwarded 100 model.

July 23: HGM wrote the Bank stating: "The shipping schedule listed in your letter of July 18th will of necessity, as mentioned in my letter of July 11th and in my conversations, be subject to change because of the time lost in sending the models to Saigon for your approval and also due to the delay caused by the change in the vignettes for both denominations and the incorporation of your Phoenix in the 100 denomination. However, we will do everything possible to minimize the delay."

July 27th: HGM informed us Governor desires modification signatures and deletion ABNCo. imprint.

" : We sent first photos of models, agreeing to change signatures.

July 28th: HGM informed us Governor wants tint on faces and various changes in title, scrolls, accents, frames, counters and tractor vignette. Backs approved.

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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SEP 23 1955 August 5, 1955

July 29th:

We advised necessity of adding 3 weeks to 3 already lost in order make above changes. However, if tractor left as is, add only 1 week or less. Pointed out that Bank had asked numerous changes and we should really request additional sum to cover.

July 30th:

HGM asked us disregard suggested major changes. Faces approved. Stated earliest delivery imperative and asked what quantity ready in October.

" :

We advised proceeding with work and promised prepare new shipping schedule when assured all details definitive. Said would minimize delay all possible.

July 31st:

HGM wrote Bank repeating our telegram of July 29th, substance of which is: "Add approximately 3 weeks to 3 already lost. There is additional expense involved in addition to valuable loss of time in all these changes."

August 2nd:

We forwarded new photographs faces showing tint, corrected accents and signatures.

August 3rd:

HGM advised all details now definitive. Asked us minimize 3 weeks lost as delivery politically vital.

" :

We informed HGM we were calculating new shipping schedule, would do all possible expedite production and would cable Governor.

August 4th:

HGM advised that historical events depend upon expeditious production.

MMW:ed

Delay =
1 month to the day.
↑

*Saw copy of our telegram 7/29
No final letter*



1955 AUG -5 AM 8:13

A. L. S.

AUG -5 1955

M. M. W.

AUG -5 1955

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BANKNOTE

NEWYORK

FILING
AUG 19 1955

McWhee

FOR MY INFORMATION CONFIRM THAT BOTH FACES STEELTINT ARE
VARIATIONS ONEHUNDRED BACK STEELTINT AND THAT ACCENT MARKS
FOR WORD DONG NOW ALL CORRECT STOP IS ANYTHING OVERLOOKED STOP
GOVERNOR TERRIBLY ANXIOUS FOR EARLIEST SHIPMENT HUNT BECOMING
PROBLEM +

ICFM FM181 BANKNOTE NYK A+



10-18-13

1-1-13

AUG - 2 1955

M. M. W.

AUG - 3 1955

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SAISON 1175 - 5 - 1700 -

BANKNOTE

NEW YORK

ON INFORMATION CONTAINED THAT BOTH TACOS STELLINT AND
VARIATIONS ONEHUNDRED BACK STELLINT AND THAT ACCENT MARKS
FOR WORDS COME NOW ALL CORRECT STOP IS ANYTHING OVERLOOKED STOP
COVERING TERRIBLY ANXIOUS FOR EARLIEST SHIPMENT HUNT BECOMING
PROBLEM 4

1020 1220 BANKNOTE NYK A+

AUG - 3 1955



A.B.N.C.O.
RECEIVED DEPT

Aug. 5, 1955



This letter which was not important was posted afternoon of August 5th and delivered to me at 10 a.m. August 10th which is the fastest delivery to date. - this is sent to you as a matter of information only.

VIA AIR MAIL

James

FILED

AUG 17 1955

CHURCH STREET
STATION

M. M. W.

AUG 16 1955

WGH

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

FILING

SUBJECT:

Krit - Nam Notes

AUG 19 1955

After first 24 million with single prefix
before numbers, continued with double prefixes.
Usually the first letter of the double prefix
is the one to change most frequently
but if desired it can be the second
one with no trouble -

Al. Christel / JCS
8/15/55

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SENDER'S NAME

American Bank Note Co.,

AUG 19 1955

ADDRESS

70 Broad St.

SENDER MUST FILL IN ROUTING HERE

"Via

RADIO MACKAY

August 5, 1955

MCNeary care Banvina
Saigon (Viet-Nam)

URS: Tint both faces also back 100 all medallion designs and similar in overall
effect however there are fine distinct variations in all three as photographs indicate
stop Accents over O new photograph 100 face mailed August second being moved
slightly rightward as on back 500 stop Accents over O in quoc title on face 100
being corrected conform to 500 stop Should not words sai gia twice and Viet
in penalty clause have dots over letter eye We are approving here dieproofs
as finished.

MMW:JWB:ed

5:10 p.m.

OK *[initials]*

See 8/5 from HGM

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Garrison Ave. & Tiffany St.
New York 59, N.Y.

A. L. S.

AUG -5 1955

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August 5, 1955

Mr. A. L. Schomp
Chairman

Re: Background on Viet Nam
Bank Note Faces

I am enclosing three different treatments that can be used on either denomination in order to have more variety between the two notes.

The design of one of the three subjects enclosed is not suitable for use on the Viet Nam notes as No. 6275 is too large for a Bank Note. These impressions are merely to show the varied treatments that are available. Any of these treatments can be used with the designs that are now shown on the notes and by using a treatment similar to either of these samples will provide sufficient variation to make them distinctive. It is purely a matter of taste as to which one will be the most appropriate.

AR:am
Encs. (9)

Art Director

8/16/55 returned
material to AR
Enroll Pece

8/8/55
Rec'd advice
for MCH - photo's
approved as are!
MS.

see 8/16/55

Attached with this letter came a 1 Piastre note, No. A18228599, of the Institut d'Emission des Etats du Cambodge du Laos et du Viet-Nam.

Note #A 18228599 - kept in President's office^{ed}

W.P.Hunt.
Security Banknote Company

Saigon to New York

August 5 1955

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J. W. B.

AUG -9 1955

Confirming telegram of August 5th, William Peter Hunt, Chairman of the Board of William P Hunt & Co is getting to be a problem. - He has come to town bulging with letters of recommendation. As mentioned before, it is my understanding, The Manufacturers Trust has used their influence on his behalf with a Vietnamese firm which has extremely close connections with the Premier, Hunt has been to see the Premier. He sees the Governor frequently with his Vietnamese friend and with a French speaking American, he brought in from Bangkok, by the name of Webber, once in the Governor's office he stays for the balance of the morning or afternoon whichever it happens to be.

I understand Hunt is trying to get the Banque to buy lithographed notes and guarantees a quick delivery. This information comes to me 2nd hand but the source is good.

At 3 p. m. this afternoon I called on Mr Frank Schiff and Mr Allan Holmes the Federal Reserve men who head the finance section of the US Mission, and told them the Governor asked me about litho notes, which he did, and I said I had strongly advised him against such notes. Messrs Schiff and Holmes agreed with me. I then told them that I had no idea what attitude our competitor might take on such a question. Mr Schiff said Hunt had not been to see him for the past week (Hunt made a brief trip to Bangkok and has been back about one week) but that if the Governor wanted the Mission to finance any purchase it would have to meet with their approval. I assume the Mission would not approve the purchase of litho notes.

As soon as the photos which are enroute arrive and the Citibank credit has been arranged to your complete satisfaction I will leave Saigon for Bangkok.

Saigon is extremely hot and as I mentioned before I do not feel well, to top it all I am plagued with Hunt, extension of immigration permission to stay, language problems, waiting for telegrams etc. I have not seen the Governor since you advised telegraphing him in French however I feel the telegram will create a good impression. He of course has the jitters about the shipment schedule, I have cabled you so often re the great importance of an early shipment and I trust you appreciate the seriousness of this unusual situation.

HMN

Far Eastern Representative.



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ORATION OF AMERICA
N. Y., TEL. HA. 2-1811

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NY FM233 SAIGON 64/63 6 1535 VIA CA
BANKNOTE NEWYORK

UR5 PHOTOGRAPHS DUE TUESDAY STOP/EVERY SINGLE LETTER IN
PENALTY CLAUSE GOVERNOR CONFIRMS IS CORRECT STOP/HOWEVER GOVERNOR
NOW CONFIRMS BANK TITLE BOTH FACES MUST DELETE DOT OVER LETTER
EYE IN WORDS GIA AND VIET ALSO IN WORD VIET TO^P OF 500 BACK
STOP/DIEPROOFS AS FINISHED MUST BE APPROVED BY AMBASSADOR /
WASHINGTON WHEN WILL FIRST OF DIEPROOFS BE READY ACKNOWLEDGE

CFM UR5 GIA VIET VIET 500

1955 AUG -6 AM 5:55

J. W. B.

AUG -8 1955

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A. L. S.
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W. B. B.

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1955 AUG 8 10 10 AM
WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

TO DIRECTOR
FROM WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE
SUBJECT: [illegible]
[illegible text follows]



DA216

FN1405

SGN202LB SAIGON 12 6 2130

BANKNOTE NEWYORK

ASKED FURNISH FOUR ADDITIONAL MODELS 12510 INCLUSIVE
MATERIAL NEXT WEEK

CFM 12510

A. L. S.
AUG -8 1955

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AUG 19 1955

denomination

*As will
show sketch
to WFC.*

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1955 AUG -6 PM 12:20

J. W. B.
AUG -8 1955
W. F. C.
AUG -8 1955

McBeckett



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AUG 11 1955

Foreign
Dept

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
New Model for 1-2-5-10 denominations

Saigon to New York
August 6 1955

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See McKean
cable 7 Aug 1955

J. W. B.
AUG 11 1955

The Governor would like to have us prepare models for the following denominations in the sizes shown.- vignette and other material will be furnished next week. He claims to have no idea of quantities, at the present time.

	size			
1 Piastre	115 mm	x	65mm	
2 "	120 mm	x	65mm	
5 "	125 mm	x	65mm	
10 "	132 mm	x	65mm	

Notes
4 $\frac{17}{32}$ x 2 $\frac{9}{16}$
4 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 2 $\frac{9}{16}$
4 $\frac{15}{16}$ x 2 $\frac{9}{16}$
5 $\frac{3}{16}$ x 2 $\frac{9}{16}$

(100's - 6 $\frac{1}{8}$ x 2 $\frac{5}{8}$)
(500's - 6 $\frac{3}{8}$ x 3)

J. W. B.
Far Eastern Representative.

Steel Engraved?

HMN

per 8/16

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1955

A circular postmark from New York, N.Y., dated AUG 11 1893. The design features a clock face with numbers 1 through 12 around the perimeter. The hands of the clock are positioned to indicate the time 10:10. The text "NEW YORK, N.Y." is curved along the top inner edge, and "AUG 11 1893" is curved along the bottom inner edge. The entire postmark is rendered in a reddish-brown ink.



for my

M. M. W.
AUG 17 1955

Saigon Viet-Nam
August 6, 1955

J. W. B.
AUG 17 1955

H. B. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam.

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AUG 19 1955

Re. Accent Marks

Your Excellency:

I have this morning received the following telegram from New York regarding accent marks, it reads as follows.

Telegram from New York August 5 received August 6 1955
"The accents over the "u" in "sue" title on Page 100 being corrected to conform to 500 stop should not words "Sai" "Gin" twice and "Viet" in penalty clause have dots over the letter eye (i) stop we are approving here die proofs as finished".

I shall be pleased if you will kindly give me your instructions regarding the above accent marks in the penalty clause, also please let me know if, my New York Office approval of the dieproofs as they are finished meets with your approval. This is important because after the dieproofs are approved the next operation is the making of the steel plates.

If the die proofs have to be sent to Washington for approval by your Embassy it will of course necessitate the time in travel to Washington and the availability of the approving officer. At this period time saving is all important and every day is vital.

With assurances of my full cooperation, I am

Yours very truly

J. W. B.

For Eastern Representative.

W. M. M.
AUG 17 1955

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AUG 19 1955

Banque Nationale du Vietnam
Accent marks and dots over "I" in penalty clause

Saigon to New York
August 6. 1955

Confirming attached telegram sent you on August 6. and your telegram of August 5th received this morning reading:-

J. W. B.
AUG 11 1955

"UR5 tint both faces also back 100 all medallion design and similar in overall effect however there are fine distinct variations in all three as photographs indicate stop accents over "O" new photograph 100 face mailed August second being moved slightly rightward as on back 500 stop accents over "O" in Quoc on face 100 being corrected conform to 500 stop should not words sai gia twice viet in penalty clause have dots over letter eye we are approving here dieproofs as finished".

I immediately wrote the Governor as per my letter of August 6th and presented the letter at 11 a.m. The Governor checked the penalty clause and confirmed that the letter "I" in the 4 words you mentioned namely - Sai - Gia - Gia - Viet - and also Giay (which is the 12th word in the clause) are all correct as shown. So in order to make this clear I telegraphed you " every single letter in penalty clause Governor confirms is correct".

After returning to my flat and again looking at the model, I was then struck by the dot over the "I" in the words " Gia and Viet" in the Banque's title and also the dot over the letter "I" in "Viet-Nam" in the top border of the 500 back.- I returned to the Governor's office to confirm that these were correct. The models had been approved in all details and the Banque's title had been checked by the Governor in my presence and the model was approved in writing on the side of the model frame. I felt it was probably an unnecessary check, however, I decided it would be best to have the dot over these "eyes" confirmed as correct. I was shocked when the Governor said that the dot over the letter "I" in the words "Gia" and "Viet" in the Banque's title of both the 100 and 500 denomination faces should not be there and must be deleted and that also the dot over the letter "I" in the word "Viet-Nam" in the top border of the 500 back must also be deleted.

How this glaring mistake had been overlooked after so many examinations of the title and other work is a mystery. On August 5th I had a very uneasy feeling of something being amiss, so I thought it advisable to ask you if there was anything overlooked, fortunately I received your prompt query about the words in the penalty clause, which in turn prompted a recheck of the Banque's title.

It is explained that when using upper case lettering as in VIET-NAM or NGAN-HANG QUOC-GIA VIET-NAM - the "eye" does not have a dot.- In the use of lower case letters- Ngan-Hang Quoc-Gia Viet-Nam - the "eye" is dotted. There are some words such as the first one in the penalty clause "HINH" where the "I" has an accent mark.

[Signature]
Far Eastern Representative.

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copy for New York.

REC'D *HGM* LETTER *8/6/55*

Saigon Viet-Nam
August 6, 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

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Yours very truly

HGM
Far Eastern Representative.

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NUMBER OF WORDS CORRECTION TO FOLLOW

VIA RCA NY FM-27

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AUG 19 1955

BANKNOTE NEWYORK =

Th. Bennett

PHOTOGRAPHS RECEIVED GOVERNOR PLEASED/YOURS FIFTH ACCENT MARKS
IMPROVEMENT APPROVED/ MY SIXTH CONFIRMS PENALTY CLAUSE CORRECT
NO DOTS/STOP OBTAINED WRITTEN AUTHORITY YOUR APPROVING DIEPROOFS/
STOP TRUST DELETING DOTS OVER EYES IN TITLE AND TOP BACK 500
WONT CAUSE DELAY STOP/TITLE IN SIGNATURE PANEL CAN REMAIN AS
IS STOP/ASSUME YOU CORRECTED DONG ACCENTS HUNDRED BACK STOP
CONFIRM NUMBERING STARTS WITH PREFIX RUSH WORK +

*Mr. Mancavage says the dots
can be readily omitted as they get
to that part and will cause no delay, therefore*

ICFM FM 27 BANKNOTE NEWYORK FIFTH SIXTH PENALTY DIEPROOFS
DELETING TOP 500 HUNDRED PREFIX +

*I told him
to do so.
Jrd
8/8/55*

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AUG -8 1955



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RCA COMMUNICATIONS, Inc.
A SERVICE OF RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA

OFFICIAL ADVICE

BANKNOTE

NEWYORK

1955 AUG - 8 PM 4:40
66 BROAD STREET NYC

AUGUST 8 19 55

OUR RADIOGRAM FB430/MSD360 FNA116 DATED 8TH

READ NUMBER OF WORDS 67 CORRECT

ERASE SUBJECT TO CORRECTION

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SAIGON PER

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by.....

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AUG -9 1955

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NEWYORK

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ERASE SUBJECT TO CORRECTION

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ADDRESS August 8, 1955

SENDER MUST FILL IN ROUTING HERE

"Via RADIO MACKAY"

MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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Ur668 deleting dots including signature panel stop Our approving proofs advantageous
timewise thanks stop 500 back die completed except removal dot others progressing
rapidly stop Dong accents hundred back corrected stop Numbering to start with prefix
and after 24 million hundreds double prefix stop Are we assured no further changes
including colors stop Ur3 revised instructions not yet received citibank stop Await
material four additional denominations

JWB:ed

4:15 PM

see 8/9/55

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M. M. W.
AUG 16 1955

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9/8 TAT DU VIET-NAM

Destination		Origine	
Saigon		New York	
Numéro	Nombre de mots	Date de dépôt	Heure de dépôt
PA 18	-	9/8	-

Postes & Télécommunications
Service des Télégraphes

M. McNeary Case
San Francisco
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AUG 17 1955

S A I G O N

M.

Suivant service rectificatif reçu de New York, dans le
télégramme n° P106 du 8/8 de New York que vous avez reçu
le 9/8 série n° —, prière de lire : Rd 1st 912 668./.

Veuillez agréer, M

, nos salutations distinguées.

Saigon, le 9-8 1955.
LE CONTROLEUR, SERVICE DE LITIGES,



[Handwritten signature]

[Handwritten signature]

W. B. N. CO.
A. B. N. CO.

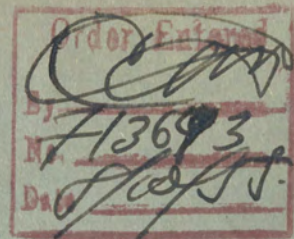


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AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT
ORDER FORM

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AUG 19 1955



BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Model Schedule No. 24776

6,000,000 Notes of 500 Piastres

Steel engrave 500 Piastres note face die.

Special vignette of Thien-Mu Pagoda.

Signature of the Controleur General (Tong Kiem-Tra) at left.

Signature of Caissier Central (Thu-Quy Trung Uong) at right.

Steel engrave 500 Piastres note back die.

No vignette.

As per latest revised models. Proceed from tintypes.

ABNCo. imprint not to appear on either face or back.

Over all size of notes 6-5/8 x 3 inches.

Die proofs are to be approved by us but one of each to be sent to Banque for its reference.

Transfer 21/500 Piastres note face plates, rotary

21/500 Piastres note face plates, rotary

Dry steel print 285,714 6/21 imps. 21/500 Piastres Notes, face in 9 Blue, back in 64 Orange.

Paper No. 29 Standard Bank Note Scattered Planchette No. 206.

D/nos. on face in Red A000001 to A1000000

B000001 to B1000000

to

F000001 to F1000000

Cut single and trim to size 6-5/8 x 3 inches.

Band in 500's.

Wrap 20 bands (10,000 notes) to a Kraft paper package with label reading:

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

10,000 Billets de 500 Piastres chacun

Nos. 00000 - 00000

Pack in tin-lined wooden cases of 100,000 notes each.

URGENT: Initial shipment wanted by October 10th, *or as nearly thereto as possible.*

After completion of the order furnish to Mr. W. E. Combes a balance sheet so that he can furnish an appropriate certificate to customer.

Cremation of press room spoils can be accomplished as usual but overs and spoils from Finishing Department are to be cancelled but not cremated pending further instructions as a representative of the Bank is to be present when this is done.

Cremation certificate covering spoils and overs cremated is to be furnished the Bank.

After completion of the order, plates are to be sealed by a representative of the Bank.

Authority: Letter No. 181-c/BM, dated 7/18/55, from the Bank.

C. S. W.

Price: See correspondence

AUG -9 1955

MANAGER FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

submit die proofs in triplicate, one to be retained temporarily by Foreign Dept. for reference.

J. S. W.

8/8/55

AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT
ORDER FORM

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Bill to: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

AUG 19 1955

Payment is to be effected under letter of credit to be opened with The First National
City Bank of New York.

W. H. C. S. W.
AUG -9 1955

J. M. Hubert
Assy.

MANAGER FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.
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BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Model Schedule No. 24776.

60,000,000 Notes of 100 Piastres

Steel engrave 100 Piastres note face die.

Special vignette of tractor.

Signature of the Controleur General (Tong Kiem-Tra) at left.

Signature of Caissier Central (Thu-Quy Trung-Uong) at right.

Steel engrave 100 Piastres note back die.

Special vignette of Phoenix.

As per latest revised models. Proceed from tintypes.

A.B.N.Co. imprint not to appear on either face or back.

Die proofs are to be approved by us but one of each to be sent to Banque for its reference.

Over all size of notes 6-1/8 x 2-5/8 inches.

Transfer 32/100 Piastres note face plates, rotary.

32/100 Piastres note back plates, rotary.

Dry steel print 1,875,000 imps. 32/100 Piastres notes, face in Rotary Black, back in 1 Green.

Paper No. 29 Standard Bank Note Scattered Planchette No. 206.

D/nos. on face in Red A000001 to A1000000

B000001 to B1000000

to

Z000001 to Z1000000

then

AA000001 to AA1000000

BA000001 to BA1000000

to

ZA000001 to ZA1000000

then

AB000001 to AB1000000

BB000001 to BB1000000

to

MB000001 to MB1000000

(omitting letters "I" and "O")

C. S. W.

AUG -9 1955

Cut single and trim to size 6-1/8 x 2-5/8 inches.

Band in 500's.

Wrap 20 bands (10,000 notes) to a Kraft paper package with label reading:

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

10,000 Billets de 100 Piastres chacun

Nos. 000000 - 000000

Pack in tin-lined wooden cases of 100,000 notes each.

URGENT: Initial shipment of 600,000 notes wanted by October 10th, After completion

MANAGER FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

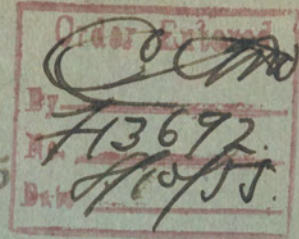
or as nearly there as possible

Submit die proofs in triplicate, one to be retained temporarily as foreign bill. for reference.

8/8/55

AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT
ORDER FORM



of the order furnish to Mr. W. E. Combes, First Vice President, a balance sheet so that he can furnish an appropriate certificate to customer.
Cremation of press room spoils can be accomplished as usual but overs and spoils from Finishing Department are to be cancelled but not cremated pending further instructions as a representative of the Bank is to be present when this is done.
Cremation certificate covering spoils and overs cremated is to be furnished the Bank.
After completion of the order, plates are to be sealed by a representative of the Bank.

Authority: Letter No. 181-c/BM, dated 7/18/55, from the Bank.

Price: See correspondence

Bill to: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Payment is to be effected under letter of credit to be opened with The First National City Bank of New York.

Shipping instructions to come.

C. S. W.

AUG -9 1955

ASST.

MANAGER FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

Translation of the writing at the bottom of the page.
I confirm my definite approval of the models for the notes of 100 and 500 P. The American Banknote can print these 2 notes without having to submit these models to the Ambassador of Vietnam in Washington in order to have his authorization to print. He is using M. M. W. press proofs.

AUG 17 1955

AUG 16, 1955

Saigon, Vietnam.

New Photographs 100 and 500 face models showing overall steel medallion tint.

Your Excellency:

I have this morning received the enclosed new photographs of the 100 and 500 denomination face models, which incorporate the changes you requested on July 30th.

The steel medallion tint on both faces and also on the back of the 100 denomination are similar in overall effect however there are very distinct variations in all three as the photographs show. The signatures have both been made the same size and then slightly enlarged.

The accent marks over the "O" in "QUOC" in the title on the face of the 100 model is being corrected to conform to the 500 model.

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On Saturday August 6, I telegraphed New York in reply to their inquiry about the necessity of having dots over the "eyes" in the words Sai Gia -(twice) and Giay which are in the penalty clause that - "every single letter in the penalty clause has been checked by the Governor and he confirms they are all correct. However, the Governor now confirms in the Bank's title on both faces we must delete dot over the letter "eye" in the words GIA and VIET and also in the word "VIET-NAM" top of the 500 denomination back stop die proofs as finished must be approved by the Ambassador in Washington stop when will first of the dieproofs be ready".

As you instructed I confirmed to New York on August 3rd your full assurances that all details were definitive and they are proceeding with the work as quickly as possible. My telegram regarding the deletion of the dots over the "eyes" in the title was sent on Saturday so I will probably receive their reply tomorrow.

With assurances of my full cooperation, I am

Yours very truly Trans.: *H. M. W.*

Far Eastern Representative.
American Bank Note Company.

(1) I confirm my definitive approval of the models for the notes of 100 and 500 Piastres. The Amer. Bank Note can print these 2 notes

without having need of submitting these models to the Amb. of Vietnam in Wash. for issuance of the okey to pull. (ed)

(1) Je confirme mon approbation définitive des modèles pour les billets de 100 et 500 P. L'American Banknote peut imprimer ces 2 billets sans avoir besoin de soumettre ces modèles à l'Ambassadeur du Vietnam à Washington pour leur approbation. 8-8-55

copy for New York.
Important.

Saigon
August 8, 1955

H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Vietnam.

M. M. W.
AUG 16 1955

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With assurances of my full cooperation, I am

Yours very truly

Far Eastern Representative.
American Bank Note Company.

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(1) Je confirme mon approbation définitive des maquettes pour les billets de 100 et 500 %, l'American Banknote peut imprimer ces 2 billets sans avoir besoin de soumettre ces maquettes à l'Ambassadeur du Vietnam à Washington pour leur approbation. 8-8-55

This is my office copy & have your copy on my file

this is typed on the top of the copy to NewYork

confirming receipt of NewYork's letter of August 2nd
and of the 2 photographs

no mention is made of correcting the accent marks in the word Dong
on the top panel of the back of the 100 denomination. could this possibly
have been overlooked. I will mention this particular DONG in my telegram
of today - I cannot understand why we are having so much trouble with these
accent marks and they are making me extremely uneasy.

REC 10 1963



U.S. B.N. CO.

REC 10 1963
M. W. W.

8/9/55

Net name

~~32~~ - 100's begin

Oct 24 -

300,000

Traph to
 Plant
 3:10 pm

Nov. 2 - 1,000,000

11/16 - 2 1/2

11/30 - 3 1/2 +

every 2 weeks thereafter
until completed on

June 27 - 3,700,000.

A. L. S.

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1936 -

J. W. B.

AUG 10 1955

From Foote 8/9/55

See 8/8/55

Memo 8/9/55
New Rising Schedule

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

SEP 23 1955

J. W. B.

AUG 10 1955

8/9/55

SUBJECT:

Viet Nam

1st - Est. 7 del

100

Oct 10 - 600,000

" 19 - 1,000,000

Nov 2 - 2,500,000

" 16 - 3,500,000

Each 2 weeks thereafter
3,500,000

June 6 - final

Begin 10/14 - 300,000

Nov 2 - 1,000,000

" 16 - 2,500,000

" 30 - 3,500,000

Each 2 weeks thereafter
3,500,000

Complete 6/27 - 3,500,000

500

Oct 10 - 200,000

" 19 - 300,000

Nov 2 - 500,000

" 16 - 1,000,000

" 30 - 1,000,000

Dec 14 - 1,000,000

" 28 - 1,000,000

Final Jan 4 - 1,000,000

begin 10/14 - 200,000

" 19 - 300,000

" 16 - 500,000

" 30 - 1,000,000

Each 2 weeks thereafter
1,000,000

Complete - 1/18/56

See 9/8/55

Checked this with
Brant - who says OK.
8/9/55
Based on my report promise

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

Vict. Name

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AUG 18 1955

8/9/55

~~(after R.C.D.)~~
Mr. Sauter phoned
that following cable
received today from Lawrence

"I give you my accord
regarding conditions
requested by R.C.D.
Letter follows".

E.L.D.



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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

YOURS EIGHTH EVERYTHING NOW DEFINITIVE INCLUDING COLOR
RECOMMEND CITIBANK REQUEST CABLE CONFIRMATION GOVERNOR ADVISES
WRITING RUSH EARLIEST POSSIBLE SHIPMENT TELEGRAPH SCHEDULE

ICFM FM61 BANKNOTE NEWYORK

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Mr. Beckett

1955 AUG -9 AM 6:24

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~~W. F. C.~~

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AUG -9 1955

*Mr. Page
Tr
8/9/55*

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OF AMERICA
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M. M. W.
AUG 16 1955

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Mr Henry G J McNeery accepts with pleasure
the kind invitation of Monsieur Duong Tan Tai
to dinner on

Wednesday, August 10th., 1955 at the hour of
7 p.m.

145 Rue General de Gaulle

Seigon.

W. M. W.
AUG 16 1955

RECEIVED
AUG 17 1955

TO THE DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF REVENUE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

FROM THE DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF REVENUE

SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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AUG 18 1955



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AUG 18 1955



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HAVE YOU RECEIVED MY NINTH CONFIRMING EVERYTHING DEFINITIVE
ETCETERA RUSH FIRST SHIPMENTS TELEGRAPH SCHEDULE

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Send the following message subject to the services rules and regulations of All America Cables and Radio, Inc., set forth in its tariff book and on file with the Federal Communications Commission.
American Bank Note Co., 70 Broad St.

TO OBTAIN OUR FAST AND ACCURATE SERVICE
SENDER MUST MARK THIS MESSAGE "VIA ALL AMERICA"
IN THE SPACE BELOW.

August 10, 1955

"Via

RADIO MACKAY

"

MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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Ur910 Notwithstanding loss of month due to changes requested by Bank

including engraving phoenix are pleased advise will have ready for shipment from New York approximately three hundred thousand notes hundred denomination October twentyfour million November second two million five hundred thousand November sixteenth seven million monthly thereafter stop Five hundred denomination approximately two hundred thousand October twentyfour three hundred thousand November second five hundred thousand November sixteen two million monthly thereafter stop This schedule result extraordinary effort unlimited overtime and additional cost and barring interruptions beyond our control stop If other than ocean freight from New York telegraph method to enable us ascertain additional cost which should be arranged for in letter of credit stop Citibank advise are awaiting letter confirming cable when was letter sent stop Please assure Governor our devoted efforts to render fullest cooperation in this difficult situation

ALS:ed - 3.40 PM

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

HUNT CLAIMS BANGKOK ORDER LEAVES HERE TOMORROW

RECEIVED LITHO ORDER HERE

CFM LITHO

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Mr. W. F. C.

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Thailand

Viet-Nam

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AUG 10 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
All details being definitely definitive
and American Bank Note Co NY to approve die proofs

Saigon to New York
August 10th 1955

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J. W. B.

AUG 17 1955

M. M. W.
AUG 16 1955

A. L. S.
AUG 16 1955

Herewith my letters of August 8th and August 10th addressed to the Governor Duong Tan Tai. -

As telegraphed you on August 8th confirming that I had written authority from the Governor that "You are to approve the die proofs instead of the Embassy in Washington" this written authority is on the bottom of the letter of August 8th and translated by Mr Velou reads as follows.

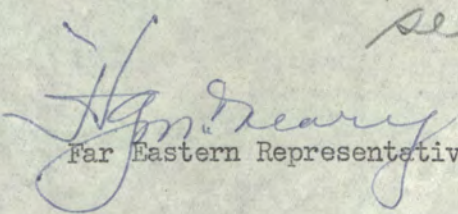
Translation.

"I confirm my definite approval of the models for the notes of 100 and 500 denomination. The American Bank Note Company can print these 2 notes without having to submit these models to the Ambassador of Viet-Nam in Washington for issuing of press proofs".

I felt this authorization was not quite in the wording I would have liked to have had it; (the last remarks about models although he meant dieproofs is not clear) so in my letter of August 10th I made the point clear and in the next to last paragraph said.

"I wish to again confirm that New York has been advised that all details are now definitely definitive and that there will be no more changes also I have informed New York that Your Excellency has authorized the ABNCo New York to approve the die proofs and that the dieproofs are not to be submitted to the Ambassador in Washington as was the original intention."

As requested the Governor endorsed the letter in the words which I understand translated read. "It is agreed" and signed his name. - this letter should leave no doubt that you are to approve the dieproofs and it is so understood by the Governor.

see 8/24

Far Eastern Representative.

W. M. M.
J. C. 1852

this copy for New York Office ABNCo.

H. E. Duong Tan Tai

If this meets with Your Excellency's approval I would appreciate it if you will kindly mark this copy approved and I will forward it to New York. -

Many thanks

[Handwritten signature]

J. W. B.

M. M. W.

AUG 17 1955

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Re: All Details being Definitely Definitive
and American Bank Note Co N.Y. to approve dieproofs.

Your Excellency:

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My telegram to New York August 8th.

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"Are we definitely assured no further changes to be made including colors stop we are deleting dots over the "eyes" in the title and top of 500 back stop revised instructions not yet received by National City Bank stop work is progressing as fast as possible. "

On August 9th I replied to the above telegram from New York as follows.

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Now that the details are final and definitive I expect to have New Yorks revised Shipping schedule within a day or two, please be assured that we are also anxious to complete this important order as quickly as possible.

With assurances of our full cooperation, I am

Yours very truly

[Handwritten signature]

Far Eastern Representative.

[Handwritten signature]

this copy for New York Office ABNCo.

Saigon
August 10, 1955

J. W. B.

M. M. W.

AUG 17 1955

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H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque National du Viet-Nam
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Yours very truly

John H. Henry
Far Eastern Representative.

W. M. M.
JUN 16 1952

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

YOURS TENTH TELEGRAPHING TRANSPORTATION METHOD MONDAY GOVERNOR

TELEGRAPHED WROTE CITIBANK NINTH CONFIRMING ALL CLAUSES

DOMINGO TELEGRAPHED CONTRACT NOT YET ADJUDICATED BETTER COME

IMMEDIATELY INSTRUCTED SYNDICATE INVESTIGATE HUNTS CLAIM AND

TELEGRAPH YOU SUGGEST YOU TELEGRAPH SYNDICATE

CFM SGN138 BANKNOTE NEWYORK SYNDICATE

1955 AUG 11 PM 12:44 P

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AUG 11 1955

A. L. S.

Mr. Beckett

J. W. B.

AUG 12 1955

Viet Nam Notes

Philippine Agriette Stamp

Thailand Notes

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A.B.N.CO.



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copy for New York.

Saigon Viet-Nam
August 11 1955

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M. M. W.

AUG 17 1955

H. B. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon Viet-Nam

New Shipping Schedule

Your Excellency:

I have this morning received the following telegram from New York, it reads as follows.

J. W. B.

AUG 17 1955
A. L. S.

AUG 17 1955

From New York August 10 received Saigon August 11.

"Referring to your telegrams of August 9 and August 10 - notwithstanding the loss of one month due to changes in vignette subjects and other changes requested by the Banque including the engraving of the Phoenix are pleased to advise we will have ready for shipment from New York approximately three hundred thousand notes hundred denomination October 24 million Nov. 2. two million five hundred thousand November sixteenth seven million monthly thereafter stop.

Five hundred denomination approximately two hundred thousand October twenty-fourth three hundred thousand November 2nd five hundred thousand November sixteenth two million monthly thereafter stop this schedule is the result of extraordinary effort and unlimited overtime and additional cost and barring interruptions beyond our control stop if other than ocean freight from New York is required telegraph method of transportation to enable us to ascertain additional cost which should be arranged for in the letter of credit stop

National City Bank advises they are awaiting Banque telegraphic confirmation of their cable advice when was it sent stop please assure Governor our devoted efforts to render fullest cooperation in this difficult situation W F Colclough"

The above telegram gives the revised shipping schedule which New York advises has been effected through an extraordinary effort on the part of all departments and involves unlimited overtime and additional cost and will be fulfilled barring interruptions beyond our control. The revised schedule is as follows.

<u>Approximate quantities</u>		<u>100 Denomination</u>		<u>Ready for Shipment from New York</u>	
500,000	notes			October	24
1,000,000	notes			November	2
2,500,000	notes			November	16
7,000,000	notes			Monthly	thereafter

Long - kept
Plan check dates +
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H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Saigon
August 11 1955

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AUG 19 1955

Approximate Quantities		500 Denomination	Ready for Shipment from New York.	
200,000	notes		October	24
200,000	notes		November	2
500,000	notes		November	16
2,000,000	notes		Monthly thereafter	

New York points out that if you require shipments to be made by other than ocean-freight from New York to kindly inform them the method you wish used so that they will be able to ascertain the additional transportation costs which must be arranged for in the letter of credit.

The other means of transportation - other than ocean-freight from New York would include shipment by airplane from New York to Saigon or shipment by overland express to the West Coast of the United States and from there by ocean-freight to Saigon, this latter means will not affect much saving in time.

New York also informs us the National City Bank of New York is awaiting your telegraphic confirmation of their cable in which they requested your approval to include in the letter of credit the various clauses they advised were required by the American Bank Note Company. I shall be pleased if you will kindly let me know when this confirmation was sent to the National City Bank in New York.

Mr Colclough, our President, has asked me to assure you of our devoted effort to render you the fullest cooperation in this difficult situation and this new shipping schedule is a demonstration of our wholehearted desire to serve you to the fullest extent.

The Governor telegraphed and wrote the Citibank on August 9th that he authorized the inclusion of all the clauses requested by the ABNCO. I trust this matter of confirmed irrevocable l/c will be satisfactorily settled before the 15th. -

The Governor leaves for Phnom-penh tomorrow to settle affairs with the Banque Nationale du Cambodge and when he returns he will be able to tell by what method he wants the shipments.

With assurances of my highest esteem, I am

Yours very truly

For Eastern Representative
American Bank Note Company.

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per 9/9

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August 12, 1955

SUBJECT:

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Duong Can Cai

avec ses sincères remerciements
pour le télégramme que vous avez
envoyé à Phnom-Penh.

Saigon

This is a personal card from the
Governor of the Bank expressing his
appreciation for our telegram of Aug 3,
direct to him - in French.

Ref.

PLATE SCHEDULE

F 13692

Banque Nationale Du Viet-Nam

August 12, 1955

E. W. F.
AUG 16 1955

Order Entered
By *[Signature]*
No. 13692
Date 8/15/55

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Viet Nam notes

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Viet Nam notes

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TO YOUR COMMUNICATION WITH THEM

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Aug. 12, 1955
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Telegram to

M. M. W.

AUG 16 1955

J. W. B.

AUG 19 1955

BANKNOTE

NEW YORK

MY ELEVENTH HAS CITIBANK RECEIVED TELEGRAM HAVE YOU
TELEGRAPHED SYNDICATE

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I am anxious to know if the National City Bank received the telegram the Banque National du Viet-Nam sent on August 9th authorizing the including of all the clauses you suggested, the Banque also wrote the Citibank the same day, I would like to leave here as soon as the financial details are settled. - I trust you have telegraphed the Syndicate for their report on Hunts activities in Bangkok. - because of the communication difficulties here, I believe you might have less trouble telegraphing Bangkok from NY, also if the Syndicate has anything important you will receive it without delay. ✓

[Signature]

Sender H G Mc Neary apartment 21 55 Rue Flandin Saigon August 12.

[Signature: H G Mc Neary]

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

August 12, 1955

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M. M. W.
AUG 17 1955

Memorandum for the Files:

John Dean (International Cooperation Administration-ICA) -
Viet-Nam Bank Notes (Washington - EJT 3285)

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Mr. John Dean called this afternoon following the suggestion of Mr. Wise to him when Mr. Dean arrived in New York from Saigon. I found him a very intelligent young career man, and he was thoroughly acquainted with all the details of the bank note issue for Viet-Nam.

He spoke very highly of McNeary, said that he was very attentive to all details, very well liked by the Governor of the Bank and by all with whom he came in contact. Mr. Dean found him well informed in bank note matters.

Mr. Dean wanted to know how the order was progressing. I explained to him that we had lost exactly one month as a result of changed instructions from the Bank from time to time after the original start. I showed him a copy of our telegram to McNeary dated August 10th, which set forth our new delivery schedule, and Mr. Dean was very pleased with the fine progress we had made, which reduced by 50% the time we actually lost. He asked whether we had removed all of the signs appearing on the tractor. I told him we had, and showed him our dieproof of the tractor, and he was very pleased. He said, as a matter of a joke, that there are exactly eight tractors in Viet-Nam. However, the Governor of the Bank was anxious to have the picture of the tractor appear on the notes to indicate the agricultural progress being made by the Government. I also showed him the dieproof of the pagoda, with which he was also very highly pleased. He greatly admired the quality of the engravings.

Mr. Dean expressed the feeling that there should be considerably more business for us in Indo-China, and said that now that we have gotten a start with Viet-Nam the quality of the notes which we will make will set a very good example and create favorable reaction. I explained to him the necessity for engraving as a protection against falsification, saying that lithography should play no part in bank note production other than solely for a temporary issue. Mr. Dean said that Cambodia had been relying entirely upon French financial advisers, but that a few days ago they asked Washington whether they might have American financial advisers, and Mr. Dean said that Washington was planning to take care of the request.

He referred to notes we had made a number of years ago for the Banque de l'Indochine, S. A. He said that they were still legal tender and in rather

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FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

Memo for the Files -
Mr. John Dean -
Viet-Nam Bank Notes, etc.

August 12, 1955

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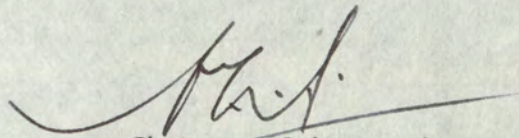
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good condition. He said that he greatly admired the designs, as did many others. I showed him our dieproofs of the notes to refresh his recollection, and explained to him that in that instance we had ample time for the designing, whereas in the present case, of the Viet-Nam issue, time was of primary importance and thus we have had to rush from the very inception.

Mr. Dean was very much interested and concerned in the matter of delivery. He said that in his opinion the Governor was a little too particular as regards what Mr. Dean considered minor details. Mr. Dean was for cutting out the non-essentials and speeding manufacture. He is planning to leave Washington on Wednesday, August 17th, and should be in Saigon in about a week, when he will, if it has not already been decided, look into the matter of methods of transportation.

I asked him what McNeary meant in cabling that Cambodia and Laos were unwilling to agree to an extension of time. He said that as a result of an agreement made some time ago ~~that~~ all three of the countries were to bring out entirely new issues of notes by not later than December 31st.

Mr. Dean was most willing to be of any possible help to us, and volunteered to take back any papers we might wish to send to McNeary.


Chairman of the Board

ALS:ed

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From letter dated August 13, 1955
Saigon

From HGM to NY

Filed in Packet THAILAND (Bank Notes)

E. W. B.
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Saigon

The business situation here has made it impossible for me to leave town even for one day; there are only 3 flights per week from Saigon to Bangkok and 2 from Bangkok to Saigon. With the frequent exchange of telegrams to and from New York and the urgency of the Banque Nationale's business and the many changes involved and the possibility that something might go wrong, I simply could not get away.....

Photostated 8/1/55 - J.M.

The National City Bank of New York

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AUGUST 16, 1955.

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DEAR SIR:

WE ARE INSTRUCTED BY BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM, SAIGON, VIETNAM, TO ADVISE YOU THAT THEY HAVE OPENED THEIR IRREVOCABLE CREDIT NO. 16177BN, IN YOUR FAVOR FOR ACCOUNT OF BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM, FOR A SUM OR SUMS NOT EXCEEDING A TOTAL OF \$598,500.00 (FIVE HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS) PLUS \$59,850.00 (FIFTY NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS) FOR POSSIBLE INCREASE IN PRESENT FREIGHT AND INSURANCE CHARGES, AVAILABLE BY YOUR DRAFTS AT SIGHT ON US TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS:

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2. INSURANCE POLICY IN FULL SET INCLUDING WAR RISKS.
3. CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN.
4. DETAILED STATEMENT OF DELIVERY IN QUADRUPLICATE.
5. YOUR INVOICE IN TRIPLICATE, STATING THAT IT COVERS:

60 MILLION 100-PIASTRE NOTES ORDERED @ US\$8.75 PER 1000 NOTES,	US\$525,000.-
6 MILLION 500-PIASTRE NOTES ORDERED @US\$12.25 PER 1000 NOTES,	US\$ 73,500.-
	US\$598,500.-
C.I.F. SAIGON, BY OCEAN SHIPMENT.	TOTAL.

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Completed
Final payment
received 7/1/56
JMA
7/6/56
7/6/56

OUR CCF: 6 6 6 3 8

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AUGUST 16, 1955.

IF FOR REASON OF ANY CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND YOUR CONTROL IT SHOULD BE MATERIALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SHIP ALL OR PART OF THE NOTES ORDERED AND PRINTED, WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO PAY YOU THE COST OF SUCH NOTES UPON YOUR PRESENTATION TO US OF:

1. YOUR STATEMENT THAT FOR REASON OF CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND YOUR CONTROL IT IS MATERIALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SHIP ALL OR PART OF THE NOTES ORDERED AND PRINTED.
2. YOUR SIGNED CERTIFICATE, CERTIFYING THAT THE WORK HAS BEEN COMPLETED.
3. YOUR UNDERTAKING TO SHIP THE NOTES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM, SAIGON, WITHOUT ANY FURTHER EXPENSE TO THE BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIETNAM.
4. YOUR COMMERCIAL INVOICE IN TRIPLICATE, COVERING MERCHANDISE AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

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THE ABOVE MENTIONED CORRESPONDENT ENGAGES WITH YOU THAT ALL DRAFTS DRAWN UNDER AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THIS CREDIT WILL BE DULY HONORED ON DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS AS SPECIFIED IF PRESENTED AT THIS OFFICE ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 1, 1956.

WE CONFIRM THE CREDIT AND THEREBY UNDERTAKE THAT ALL DRAFTS DRAWN AND PRESENTED AS ABOVE SPECIFIED WILL BE DULY HONORED BY US.

YOURS VERY TRULY,
THE FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK

[Signature]
ASSISTANT CASHIER.

[Signature]
8/17/55

August 17, 1955

MEMORANDUM

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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I telephoned Mr. Allen, Commercial Credit Department of The First National City Bank of New York, today as to the kind of Certificate of Origin called for in their letter of credit dated August 16, 1955. Mr. Allen replied that its instructions from the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam did not specify the kind of certificate, and The First National City Bank will therefore accept a certificate typed on our letterhead containing the necessary wording.

In regard to another requirement of the letter of credit, for a "detailed statement of delivery in quadruplicate", in telephone conversation with Mr. Sauter a few days ago I was advised that this was the wording used by the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, but that The First National City will accept a packing list, which we call a shipping invoice.

EFP:ed

Treasurer

Orig. to Foreign Dept.
EFP

Back plates
promised for
Sept 28 instead
of Sept 14

Vietnam - Foot 8/18/55

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SEP 23 1955

	<u>New</u>	<u>Original</u>
Oct. 24	300,000	(300,000)
Nov 2	500,000	(1,000,000)
16	1,500,000	(2,500,000)
30	2,500,000	(3,500,000)
Dec. 14	3,500,000	(same)

& following shipments

Final - July 11, 1956 - 2,700,000

Any reduction of Engr. Div.
estimate of 2 weeks delay in
100 back plates will be reflected
in Mfg. Div. deliveries

Reece or Goss will come
down Monday with MacPherson
revised drawing for engraving
of new vignette. I told Foot
we would advise him Monday
of decision

See 9/8/55

August 18, 1955

Mr. W. E. Combes
First Vice President

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Orders have been entered for the above as follows:

F13692-60,000,000	Notes of 100 Piastres at \$8.75 per M	-\$525,000.00
F13693-6,000,000	" " 500 " " 12.25 " M	- 73,500.00
		<u>\$ 598,500.00</u>

Prices are in U. S. Currency, C.I.F. Saigon by ocean freight from New York, inclusive of the cost of war risk insurance, but exclusive of Consular fees, exchange taxes or any other taxes or imposts; any increase in present freight and insurance rates to be for customer's account.

Authority for the order is contained in the Bank's letter of July 18th.

Payment is to be effected under irrevocable credit confirmed by the First National City Bank of New York per advice dated August 16th.

Manager Foreign Department

JWB:sg

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Subject: Viet-Nam - Bank Notes
Security Bank Note Co. - Bill Hunt

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August 19, 1955

The original of the report which is copied below appears on the reverse side of a confirmation copy of a telegram sent by Mr. McNeary on August 14th to our Bangkok agents regarding proposals there:

"Sunday, August 14, 4 p.m. -

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"There are no secrets in this town. I filed this telegram at the Post Office and the clerk looked at the word banknote and wanted to charge for 2 words. I told him it was the name of a company and to my surprise he said Mr. Hunt, who was staying at the Continental Palace Hotel, has been sending telegrams to New York and Washington regarding Piastres 10 - 20 - 100 and 200 lithographed notes. Mr. Hunt left for Bangkok for a day or two and is now in Singapore to telephone to the States. I asked him when the litho notes were due to be shipped from the States and he said in September and that Mr. Hunt was due to return to Saigon the latter part of this month or perhaps in one week. This confirms the Governor's statement when I asked him if he had placed any business with Hunt and he said only litho notes. Schiff and Holmes told me they were concerned about the effect of a litho note and I suppose Hunt's cables to Washington were to clear this feature. It may be that he is in Singapore telephoning for the same reason."

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HOLIDAY TODAY/SATURDAY CABLED REMINDING DOMINGO SECRETARY
HERNANDEZ OF PROVEN PERFORMANCES/NOTHING FROM SYNDICATE IF YOU
APPROVE ARRIVING BANGKOK THURSDAY ACKNOWLEDGE

Philippine cigarette stamp
Shailand notes

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August 15, 1955

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SENDER MUST MARK THIS MESSAGE "VIA ALL AMERICA"
IN THE SPACE BELOW.

"Via MACKAY RADIO"

MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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AUG 19 1955

Ur15 do not feel you should leave except temporarily until method of shipment and letter credit provisions perfected stop Is it your intention return Saigon after brief visit Bangkok.

ALS:ed

OK
JMD

Sender's Name and Address

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ALL AMERICA CABLES AND RADIO, INC.

August 16, 1955

Mr. Arnold Reece
Art Director
Bronx Plant

MAILING
AUG 17 1955

Background on Viet-Nam Bank Note Faces

Refer to yours of August 5th. I return herewith all papers therein referred to.

Not now needed because Bank decided in favor of face background tints shown on models.

For purposes of receipt, please initial and return copy of this letter and oblige

Enclosures
ALS:ed

Chairman

File

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

August 16, 1955

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AUG 24 1955

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Memorandum for the Files:

Viet-Nam - Banque Nationale -
Conversation with Mr. J. Dean (FOA)

J. W. B.
AUG 24 1955

I telephoned Mr. Dean in Washington to wish him well on his return trip to Saigon. I expressed my regret at being away from the office when he visited us, adding that I understood from Mr. Schomp, Chairman, that they had had a very fine meeting.

Mr. Dean said he found his call most helpful and left with even further assurances of the unique reliability of the ABNCo. He was certain the Banque would be completely satisfied with the notes and that we were beginning a lasting relationship with Viet-Nam. He spoke highly of Mr. McNeary's work with the Governor and other Vietnamese officials.

Mr. Dean offered to take back any materials we might wish to send and to continue to assist in any way he could. I offered our appreciation of his interest and his helpfulness to Mr. McNeary. I told Mr. Dean that Mr. McNeary was leaving Saigon temporarily for visits to Manila and Bangkok but expected to return shortly to wind up business with the Banque.

Murray M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:ed

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

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MANILA EIGHTEENTH RETURNING SAIGON VIA BANGKOK STOP
METHOD TRANSPORTATION STILL UNDECIDED HAS CITIBANK RECEIVED
LETTER INCLUDE THOUSAND SPECIMENS EACH DENOMINATION

ICFM FM36 BANKNOTE IRPT BANKNOTE NEWYORK VIA EIGHTEENTH
CITIBANK RECEIVED THOUSAND SPECIMENS DENOMINATION

1955 AUG 16 AM 5:57 P

A. L. S.

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Philippines - Cigarette strip stamps
Viet Nam - Bank notes

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Reply 8/16/55
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"Via Mackay Radio"

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(LT)

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DESIRED; OTHERWISE FULL RATE AND SERVICE APPLY

SENDER'S
NAME AND ADDRESS

DATE August 16, 1955

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VIA ALL AMERICA or VIA COMMERCIAL or VIA MACKAY RADIO

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AUG 19 1955

To MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

"Via MACKAY RADIO"

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POSSIBLE IN VIEW ADVISABILITY RETURNING TO BANGKOK SAIGON stop AS LETTER
AUGUST FIFTH FROM DOMINGO ^(Philippine Cig stamps) SHOWS SMALL PRICE DIFFERENCE WE BELIEVE THERE
EVERY JUSTIFICATION PLACE ORDER WITH US stop CITIBANK ADVISES LETTER RECEIVED
AUTHORIZING CREDIT stop WILL INCLUDE SPECIMENS REQUESTED WITH FIRST SHIPMENT
EACH DENOMINATION stop DEAN LEAVING FOR SAIGON TOMORROW

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OK *[Signature]*

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• FULL RATE

•• HALF RATE

A.L.S.

Vietnamese writings
Bank's Title
Denominations 1 to 1000
Penalty Clause

AUG 22 1955

Saigon to New York
August 16 1955

W. F. C.

AUG 22 1955

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M. M. W.

AUG 22 1955

BANKS TITLE

NGAN-HANG QUOC-GIA VIET-NAM

DENOMINATIONS.

1	MOT	DONG	
2	HAI	DONG	
5	NAM	DONG	
10	MUOI	DONG	
20	HAI	MUOI	DONG
50	NAM	MUOI	DONG
100	MOT	TRAM	DONG
200	HAI	TRAM	DONG
500	NAM	TRAM	DONG
1000	MOT	NGAN	DONG

PENALTY CLAUSE

HINH LUAT PHAT KHO-SAI NHUNG KE LAM GIA MAO GIAI

BAC DO NGAN-HANG QUOC-GIA VIET-NAM PHAT RA

The above penalty clause has been checked and is correct. The word "NAO" which appeared between the words "KE and LAM" in the original clause used for the 100 and 500 denominations, is not shown in the above clause.

It is said that with the deletion of the word "NAO" the meaning of the penalty clause is more definite. (However, both forms are correct)

For future notes the Bank prefers the penalty clause as shown above.

For your information, herewith a book showing the Viet-Nameese alphabet, you will note the letters "F - J - W - Z - are not used making actually 22 letters in all. - 12 vowels are listed in the alphabet A A A - E E - I - Y - O O O - U U - page 8 shows the accent marks which are used over the vowels (only) - A A should have been shown on page 8, perhaps an oversight, they are shown on pages 28 and 29.

Far Eastern Representative.

ack
8/23

not enclosed - Rec 9/7/55

H. M. Neary
Far Eastern Representative.

see 8/30
9/8

AUG 22 1955

NGÂN-HÀNG QUỐC-GIA VIỆT-NAM

MỘT ĐỒNG

HAI ĐỒNG

NĂM ĐỒNG

MƯỜI ĐỒNG

HAI MƯỜI ĐỒNG

NĂM MƯỜI ĐỒNG

MỘT TRĂM ĐỒNG

HAI TRĂM ĐỒNG

NĂM TRĂM ĐỒNG

MỘT NGÀN ĐỒNG

HÌNH LUẬT PHẠT KHỔ-SAI NHỮNG KẺ LÀM GIẢ MẠO GIẤY
BẠC DO NGÂN-HÀNG QUỐC-GIA VIỆT-NAM PHÁT RA

REC'D HCN LETTER 8/16/55

See 8/30/55
to H. P. McN.
See 9/7/55
from H. P. McN.

✓
ack'd 8/23
mmw

A. L. S.
AUG 22 1955

W. F. C.
AUG 22 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIETNAM
MODELS FOR 1 - 2 - 5 - 10 -
Specimens required.

SAIGON TO NEWYORK
August 16 1955

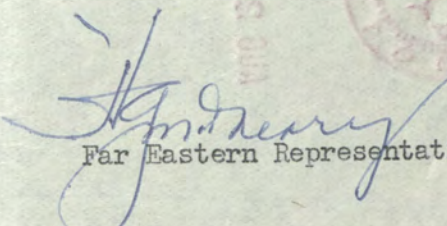
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M. M. W.
AUG 22 1955

Pursuant to my letter of August 6th, I asked the Governor for the vignette material for the proposed 4 additional demoninations and was told the subjects had not yet been selected by the Premier.

For the 100 and 500 denominations the Bank would like to have 1000 (one thousand) specimens of each denomination. I trust you will be able to include these in the first shipment.

The Bank has not yet decided on the method of transportation for the 100 and 500 notes, and before the US Mission will pay the cost of air express, the Mission will want to know just what the bank has been promised in the matter of shipments by the various suppliers.- The Mission is anxious to avoid the extra expense of air shipments if it is possible.



Far Eastern Representative

HMN

see 8/24

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AUG 22 1955

Saigon
August 17 1955W. F. C.
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AUG 24 1955H.E. Duong Tan Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
SaigonRe: Specimens of 100 and 500 denominations
Method of Transportation

Your Excellency:

Pursuant to our conversation of August 16, I am pleased to advise you New York telegraphed that they will include one thousand specimen notes of each of the 100 and 500 denomination with their first shipment.

On August 16th, The First National City Bank of New York informed my New York office that they received your letter authorizing the letter of credit, for which please accept our thanks.

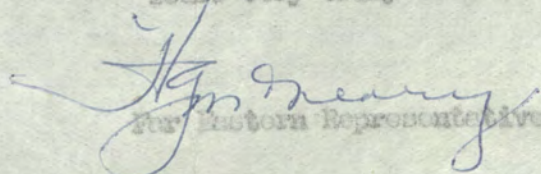
With regard to shipments, we would like to know the method of transportation you will require and for what quantity of notes. This information is necessary so that we can ascertain and advise you the additional cost, our previous figure of \$5. per thousand notes over the c.i.f. cost was only approximate, charge for air shipments. Should you find shipment by air necessary, the additional cost and also provision for "shipment by airplane" should be included in the letter of credit.

We would urge you to make an early decision on the method of transportation as it is advisable to make definite air cargo bookings well in advance so that space will be available when the shipments are ready and thus avoid delay.

On August 6 I airmailed New York the sizes for your 1 - 2 - 5 - and 10 Piastre note models also the writings for the denominations and the new penalty clause; the only material now required is the vignette subjects which we would appreciate receiving at your convenience.

With assurances of our full cooperation, I am

Yours very truly


For Eastern Representative

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August 17, 1955

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M. M. W.

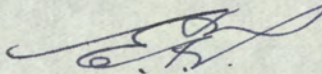
AUG 18 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

I telephoned Mr. Allen, Commercial Credit Department of The First National City Bank of New York, today as to the kind of Certificate of Origin called for in their letter of credit dated August 16, 1955. Mr. Allen replied that its instructions from the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam did not specify the kind of certificate, and The First National City Bank will therefore accept a certificate typed on our letterhead containing the necessary wording.

In regard to another requirement of the letter of credit, for a "detailed statement of delivery in quadruplicate", in telephone conversation with Mr. Sauter a few days ago I was advised that this was the wording used by the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, but that The First National City will accept a packing list, which we call a shipping invoice.

EFP:ed



Treasurer

W. F. C. ✓

AUG 18 1955

M. M. W.

AUG 18 1955

Mr. W. F. C.

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NEW YORK

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AUG 19 1955

Manila

August 18, 1955

AFDUN ✓ Have just arrived

IKXEC Saigon

ETXUZ Vignettes

ECHUM New model(s)

discrepancies
12510

AFGER As well as

EBVYP Method(s)

EMTAV Shipment

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EMTAN ~~-(?) - Cannot ship more than~~

AMPAP Not likely to decide before

IWJUC End of August

(M. G. McNeary)

(SG)

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NEW YORK

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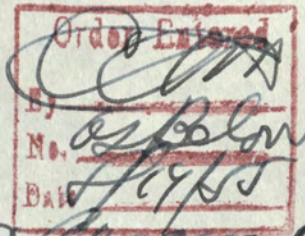
AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

August 18, 1955

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Order Department



Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
F13692/3 - 100 & 500 Piastres Notes

Please add instructions to above orders for Plant to provide for 1000 single cancelled specimens of each denomination to be packed in the first case shipped of the respective denomination. Instructions concerning method of cancelling and imprinting to follow.

Authority: Cable 8/16/55 from H. G. McNeary.

Also note the following shipping instructions:

Mark cases and consign to:

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon

Ship by steamer from New York.

Draw sight draft, shipping documents attached, pursuant to terms of irrevocable credit advice dated August 16, 1955.

Advise consignee of each shipment by air mail.

Authority: F.N.C.B. irrev. credit advice dated 8/16/55.

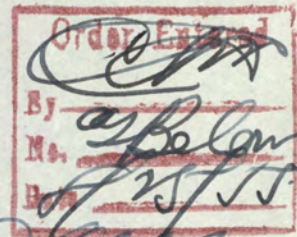
Murray M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

JWB:sg

E. C. S. W.
AUG 18 1955

American Bank Note Company
Garrison Ave. & Tiffany St.
New York 59, N.Y.



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August 23, 1955

M. M. W.

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Mr. Murry M. Wise
Manager, Foreign Dept.

Re: Banque Nationale Du Viet-Nam - 100 & 500 Piastres
F 13692 - F 13693

The above orders instruct us to band in 500's and wrap 20 bands or 10,000 notes to a Kraft Paper Package.

To permit more efficient handling can these instructions be changed to read "Band in 500's with a 1-1/2" wrapper then band in 1000's with a two inch wrapper. Wrap 10 bands or 10,000 notes to a Kraft Paper Package. Please advise.

Order Dept.
Please change
order to conform
to Plant's request
JWS.
8/24/55

LVB/AS

[Signature]
Production Manager

C. S. W.

AUG 23 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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AUG 24 1955

Air Mail
August 23, 1955

Mr. H. G. McNeary
% Thai Financial
Syndicate
Bangkok, Thailand

Dear Mr. McNeary:

Since practically everything related to the negotiations of the bank note order was done on such a rush basis and as virtually all details were covered by cables, we made no attempt to acknowledge receipt of the majority of the letters received from you or of the copies of your various letters to the Banque. All, of course, have been appropriately recorded and filed here. We appreciate the very thorough way in which you handled this business and offer our hearty congratulations. Mr. Dean has been a very welcome figure in these negotiations and we have appreciated the splendid attitude of cooperation. Before returning to Saigon last week he called on us. During the conversation he spoke very highly of your relations with Vietnamese officials, particularly with the Governor of the Banque. He was informed that you probably would not be in Saigon when he arrived but that you shortly would return to wind up the present order and to discuss possible future business with the Governor.

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letters of August 16th, transmitting instructions regarding the Banque's title, Vietnamese words for the various denominations of bank notes and observations regarding the proper form of the penalty clause for future work. The book showing the Vietnamese alphabet did not arrive with your correspondence. 9/9/55

We have noted that the subjects for the proposed four additional denominations have not yet been selected by the Premier.

We shall await your instructions regarding the method of transportation for the current order, noting that the Banque is anxious to avoid the extra expense on air shipments, if possible.

To date we have forwarded no die proofs but hope that within the next few days we may be able to send out the face and back proofs of the 500. The proofs of the 100, will follow later. We are approving the die proofs here pursuant to the Governor's instructions, but will forward two sets to him one to retain for his records and one to initial and return to us for our files. His initials will merely confirm our approvals and complete our authorization. It is to be understood, of course, as we have pointed out, that we cannot at this point accept any changes since by the time proofs are received in Viet-Nam our transfer work will be well advanced.

Again please accept our appreciation of the manner in which you have attended to this business in Saigon.

Sincerely,

Manager Foreign Department

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MMW:sg

MMW:ed
Sent in duplicate
cc: Mr. McNeary

Air Mail
August 24, 1955

M. Duong Tan-Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81 Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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AUG 25 1955

Excellency:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 18th confirming your order for notes of 100 and 500 piastres denominations, and to confirm our acceptance of the same, subject to those modifications which have resulted from your subsequent instructions transmitted to us by our Mr. McNeary. I wish to express my sincere appreciation of your confidence in our product and services and of your splendid cooperation with our representative. As you will understand, it has seemed desirable to postpone this acknowledgment until all details of your order were definitive.

Although I believe that there is now complete understanding between us with respect to your order, I should like to refer below, in the interests of clarity, to certain of the conditions which have already been covered with you by Mr. McNeary.

The development of the designs for these two notes has been recorded in the two models originally forwarded to you, in the four face and back photographs mailed from here on July 27th, and in the subsequent two face photographs mailed on August 2nd, all submitted to you by Mr. McNeary. Changes made in accordance with your instructions after the preparation of our last above-mentioned photographs have been covered by cable. The details of these photographs, as subsequently changed in accordance with your instructions, constitute the final designs that will be found incorporated in the die proofs which we are approving here as they progress, pursuant to your authorization. We shall forward two copies each of our approvals, one set for your records and one set to be returned to us with each proof initialed by you. Upon returning the set of initialed proofs, we shall also appreciate your forwarding the models and all photographs previously sent you, as it is our custom to retain these in our records.

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M. Duong Tan-Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

August 24, 1955

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The notes are to be numbered in two places on the face, in series of one million notes each, as follows:

100 piastres - A000001 to A1000000
- B000001 to B1000000
and so on through
Z000001 to Z1000000
then
AA000001 to AA1000000
BA000001 to BA1000000
and so on through
ZA000001 to ZA1000000
then
AB000001 to AB1000000
BB000001 to BB1000000
and so on through
MB000001 to MB1000000
(omitting the letters "I" and "O")

500 piastres - A000001 to A1000000
B000001 to B1000000
and so on through
F000001 to F1000000

Following advice to us on August 10th by Mr. McNeary that all matters relative to the order were definitive and that no further changes would be required, we have proceeded with utmost despatch toward the completion of all engraving work. Therefore, barring unforeseen delays beyond our control, we expect to have notes ready for shipment from New York approximately as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>100 piastres</u>	<u>500 piastres</u>
Oct. 24, 1955	300,000 notes	200,000 notes
Nov. 2, 1955	1,000,000 "	300,000 "
Nov. 16, 1955	2,500,000 "	500,000 "
Monthly thereafter	7,000,000 "	2,000,000 "

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M. Duong Tan-Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

August 24, 1955

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AUG 25 1955

As you know, our original shipping schedule, cabled to Mr. McNeary from New York on July 6th, necessarily had to be revised because of the subsequent modifications of design, as requested by you. I am sure, in view of the delays that have occurred, that you recognize in this new schedule the extraordinary effort and priority attention we have given to your order for the purpose of effecting the very earliest shipments feasible. I sincerely hope that we shall not encounter any unforeseen delay as a result of the conditions of extreme urgency under which the work must be executed.

As Mr. McNeary has informed you, the engravings from which your notes are to be printed shall always remain in the custody of American Bank Note Company for further use or for destruction within our premises, as you may instruct. The procedure of sealing or destruction, as the case may be, can, if desired, be accomplished in the presence of a representative to be appointed by you and an appropriate certificate of the act will be prepared for your records. ✓

With respect to safeguards and controls I wish to re-emphasize the assurances given by Mr. McNeary, namely, that we maintain a complete record of the bank note paper issued for each order and of its daily disposition. Every precaution is taken by us throughout all stages of engraving and printing to afford complete protection. This is accomplished through a well-organized, modern system of security controls which are subject to the examination of the Banque Nationale at any time during the preparation of your order or thereafter. All of our work is done by our own craftsmen within our own premises. ✓

Partially printed pressroom spoils will be cancelled and cremated by us as they occur from day to day. However, completed notes found to be defective in any way will be immediately cancelled, but held for cremation after completion of the order, in the presence of your representative if you desire. A detailed certificate will be furnished you, accounting for spoilage and cremation. ✓

I am confident that the foregoing conditions are in accordance with your instructions and understanding and, therefore, have your acceptance. While our performance must necessarily be subject to strikes, accidents or other causes of delay beyond our control, you will have our utmost cooperation in effecting the completion of this order to your entire satisfaction, and I again assure you of

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M. Duong Tan-Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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AUG 25 1955

August 24,

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our pleasure in placing our facilities and services at your disposal.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest esteem.

Sincerely yours,

President

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam -
Specimen notes

Air Mail
August 24, 1955

Mr. H.G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Dear Mr. McNeary:

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AUG 25 1955

We again refer to your letter of August 16th from Saigon, and particularly to the matter of specimens to be furnished to the Banque.

As you know, for specimens retained in our files it is our practice, in addition to punching cancellation holes through the signatures, to imprint the word, "Specimen", diagonally across the main denominational counters on the face, in a clearly visible but not outstanding size of type. It occurs to us, however, that the Banque might want the Vietnamese equivalent of the word, "Specimen", and to have it on the back as well as the face, perhaps in more prominent lettering than we normally use.

Please let us have your further comments on this point, and any special instructions the Banque may have, as early as possible so that the specimens can be prepared in time for inclusion in the first shipment.

Very truly yours,

JWB:ed

Manager Foreign Department

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BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIETNAM

Notes of 5 and 10 Piastres Denomination

Air Mail
August 29, 1955

Mr. H.G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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AUG 30 1955

Dear Mr. McNeary:

Attached to your letter of August 21st, mailed from Manila, were a 5 piastres note of the Banque de l'Indochine, No. 101322757, and a 10 piastres note of the Institut d'Emission des Etats du Cambodge, du Laos et du Vietnam, No. 035803205, for which we wish to express our thanks.

Sincerely yours,

MMW:ed

Manager Foreign Department

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return

5 piastres note

CROSS - REFERENCE

Subject Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

From letter dated Aug. 29, 1955

From NY to HGM

Filed in Packet THAILAND (Bank Notes)

E. W. D
SEP - 1 1955

.....In your telegram of August 10th from Saigon you reported, "Hunt claims Bangkok order leaves here tomorrow received litho order here." As we have had no further verification or explanation of this report made by you, we should appreciate your full comments. We cannot understand why the Banque would be interested at all in lithographed notes and, if it were, why would it place orders simultaneously for steel-engraved work? Any enlightenment you can give us will be helpful.

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Air Mail
August 30, 1955

Mr. H.G. McNeary
c/o Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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Dear Mr. McNeary:

In looking over the Vietnamese writings enclosed with your letter of August 16th, we observe that the word "Muoi" in the group signifying "10 Piastres" has two accents over the "o". In the following two groups of characters the same word appears, but with one of the accents omitted. Is this correct?

A photostatic copy of the writings is enclosed for your reference.

Very truly yours,

Enclosure
JWB:ed

Manager Foreign Department

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JWB:ed
cc: Mr. McNeary, ^{Bangkok} ~~Saigon~~

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August 31, 1955

M. Duong Tan-Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81 Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Excellency:

As promised in our letter of August 24th, we take pleasure in enclosing herewith two sets of duplicate die proofs of your 500 piastres note, face and back. We have approved the original proofs and are proceeding with the work. However, to complete our records we should appreciate your initialing and returning to us one set, retaining the other for your records, as previously mentioned.

As you will observe, these proofs and also those of the 100 piastres note to follow shortly reflect a perfection of engraving to provide not only an artistic rendition of the material submitted but also all important factors of security. We are confident that you will find them pleasing.

With renewed assurances of our highest esteem,

Sincerely yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

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Subject VIET-NAM (BANK NOTES)

From letter dated August 31, 1955

From HCM to NY

Filed in Packet SIAM (THAILAND) BANK NOTES

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Confirming exchange of telegrams -

My August 30

To Domingo - what decision warm regards McNeary Orienhotel

My August 30

H. E. Duong Tan Tai Governor Banvina Saigon - staying Oriental Hotel
Expect to be here one week my warm regards Henry McNeary

....The next plane for Saigon with space available is on Sept. 9 by
Air Viet-Nam, the weather is hot, very hot, this particular type of
mission creates an uneasy feeling. Some day I'll write a book about
WPH, "The Great Con".

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Subject ~~Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam~~.....

Cable
From ~~letter~~ dated August 31, 1955.....

From ~~Mr. McNeary~~..... to ~~NY~~.....

Filed in Packet ~~Siam-Bank Notes~~.....

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"Refer to your telegram of 30th believe we have situation
under control will keep you advised etc."

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Bangkok

SUBJECT

Viet-Nam/ Thailand - General

to

New York

DATE August 31 1955

M M W

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Dear Murray:

On my way to Prayun's for a "talking tea" I called at the Syndicate and was given your letter of August 23, it was thoughtful of you to tell me you all liked the way Vietnam was handled.

Mr Dean was very generous in his mention of my work and relations with Viet-Nam officials. It is the same in all the other countries. I keep personal and business relations on a level with the high prestige of the Company.

Instead of mailing the Vietnamese alphabet book from Saigon at the time of posting the letter of August 16th I waited until I reached Manila. I believe you will find the book interesting and helpful.

I hope to receive the subjects for the four additional denominations and instructions about the method of transportation when I visit Saigon on Sept 9th., At that time I will see Dean and perhaps hear something of New York.

The Governor Duong Tan Tai is of course anxious to see the die-proofs, lets hope they please him, for much depends on the impression the proofs make with the Governor and President Diem.

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While on the subject of Thailand; I recommend a letter be written to Mr Russell G. Smith, Executive Vice President, Bank of America ST&SA, 300 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, Calif and thank him for the help and cooperation given us by Mr L.E.Davis. You will recall Lewis E. Davis setup the Vietnam visa arrangements and transportation to Saigon, in advance of my arrival here, in June, which enabled me to proceed without delay. He has given valuable service to the Company and to me personally, in the past as well at this time. These services should not be overlooked. You need not go into any of the details. But, it would be well to commend them for the valuable service; and although given on a basis of personal friendship I would like to have whoever follows me in this field receive the same cooperation. I feel this can be done by showing appreciation now. The letter should be signed by W.F.C.Jr., President.

My problems this morning are varied; the Hotel would like to know when I will leave, distinguished visitors are arriving for a Seto conference and they need rooms. The Thai Airways phoned to say they had a seat to Saigon on the 6th. I telegraphed New York I would leave on the 9th. I am also waiting for final developments at the Finance Ministry, I have to make a few calls, I must, also be available to the Syndicate and Dr Puey and I am expecting a tele from NY which may not come. My personal problems are; major dental attention and health which one has little or no time for when moving from place to place.

With personal regards,

Sincerely

No enclosure for filing

H.G.Mc Neary

SUBJECT

Viet-Nam/Thailand - General

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Bangkok

to

New York

M M W

August 31 1955

DATE

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Sincerely,

With personal regards,

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W.F.C. Jr.

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Air Mail

September 2, 1955

M. Duong Tan-Tai, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81 Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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Excellency:

With reference to our letter of August 31st, forwarding 2 sets of duplicate die proofs of your 500 piastres note, we are now pleased to enclose 2 sets of duplicate die proofs of your 100 piastres notes, face and back. As in the case of the 500 note, we have approved the original proofs and have proceeded with the work. To complete our records we should appreciate your initialing and returning to us one set of these proofs, retaining the other for your records, as in the instance of the 500.

We are well pleased with these notes and are confident that you too will appreciate the delicate workmanship.

With renewed assurances of our highest esteem.

Sincerely yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Manager Foreign Department

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Mr. Warr

W.F.C.
A.L.S.

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M. M. W.
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Bangkok, Sept. 2, 1955

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Will return as soon as business is satisfactorily arranged

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(Mr. H. G. McNeary)

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"Le Journal d'Extreme-Orient" - Saigon, Sept. 6, 1955

M. M. W.

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M. Vu Quoc Thuc, Governor of the Banque Nationale du
Viet-Nam, Announces:

THE EXCHANGE OF BANK NOTES (contemplated by the inter-State
Agreements)

will commence within 3 weeks in Indo-China

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In Viet-Nam, first the 1 to 200 piastres notes bearing vignettes of Cambodia and of Laos will be withdrawn from circulation; second, the bank notes issued by the Banque de l'Indochine before the creation of the inter-State Institute of issue (of 1 to 500 p.)

"This operation is in no sense a form of devaluation", said M. Vu quoc Thuc.

When the exchange has been completed in the three States, the three currencies, independent from that time on, may eventually cease to maintain their respective parities.

(contd.)

In around three weeks, a very important monetary operation will commence in Viet-Nam, Cambodia and Laos: the public and simultaneous^{exchange} in each of the three States, of the bank notes bearing vignettes of the two other States which will cease locally to have legal value.

The executory fixing of the date, established by decree, will be agreed upon probably on Tuesday next, September 13th, at the time of the second tripartite meeting which the finance technicians of Viet-Nam, Cambodia and Laos will hold in Saigon.

After this exchange, they will go on^{starting on a date likewise fixed by decree,} to the exchange of the bank notes issued by the Banque de l'Indochine prior to the creation of the inter-State Institute of Issue.

These operations, which will be carried out with the assistance of private banks and following a technique by which the smallest details will be communicated to the public in advance, will arise from the quadripartite monetary agreements of Paris, by whose terms it had been decided that the three States would effect, before October 31, 1955, the inventory of their own fiduciary circulation.

A date will first be fixed for the interdiction of circulation of the "condemned" notes. The limit date for their exchange will probably be fixed five days later.

In effect, it has been necessary to "spread out" the operation in time and to establish a^{very clear} distinction between "date of interdiction of circulation" and "limit date for

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exchange" of the notes.

The monetary funds of the three States will then find themselves "separated" and it is not impossible that the Viet-Nam, Cambodian and Laos piastres may thenceforth follow their different destinies, as regards quotations, on the international market; their parities may not continue to exist. (Special payment agreements would be made in this event from State to State in Indo-China.)

The operation, which is based on pure technique and proceeds, again, from the sole quadripartite agreements, must not, in principle, determine any variation from the value of the piastre ---one will soon be saying "of the piastres"--- and does not constitute even the faintest shadow of devaluation. If it should bring with it fluctuations on the parallel market, these would be merely speculative.

(It is known that in Viet-Nam, the official exchange value of the piastre has been fixed at 10/^{metropolitan} French francs until the date, agreed upon in principle, of December 31st next.)

These data, as well as others no less important, were given yesterday by M. Vu quoc Thuc, governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, in the course of a press conference.

M. Vu quoc Thuc was kind enough to give his talk in French, and several of our Vietnamese colleagues were good enough, when "question time" came, to ask their questions also in French. When Vietnamese was used, M. Vu was good enough afterwards to give us a summary of the dialogue.

The exchange in Viet-Nam, M. Vu quoc Thuc especially mentioned, will commence around the first of October and will take effect first on the notes on which the vignettes of Cambodia and Laos, of 1, 5, 10, 100 and 200 piastres, appear.

The second group exchanged will be that of the notes of 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 500 piastres of the Banque de l'Indochine. (It should be noted that sometimes there are several models of each denomination; but many are practically no longer in circulation). Photographs in the newspapers, notices in public places, will indicate clearly the notes sought for exchange.

According to the estimates of the technicians of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, ^{out of} the amount of notes to be withdrawn will add up to 4 thousand million piastres, ~~on~~ a global circulation of 10 thousand millions in Viet-Nam.

The operation will undoubtedly present difficulties of (1st) a technical sort ^{possess} (to dispose of a sufficient number of new notes), (2nd) of a logistical sort (to

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organisms performing the re-supply to the desired point the/exchange, (3rd) and of organization (to create tellers' windows where there are none....).

These difficulties have brought about the creation of a permanent specialized commission of which, besides the technicians of the B.N.V., representatives of the ministers of the Interior and of Finance, of the Treasury General and of the P.T.T. are members. The commission, since yesterday morning, has invited representatives of provincial authorities to join in this work.

All useful measures must be taken to defend the general interests, i.e., in the first place, those of the populations which, if they were insufficiently informed, might be the victims of unscrupulous speculators; such as those who, for example, might speak of stocks of counterfeit notes or might attempt to give credit to the rumor of a devaluation in order to buy the notes back, in both cases, at a low price... and then exchange them at a high price.

What will the new notes be which are exchanged for the old ones?

In part, new notes, stated M. Vu (for which various orders have been placed abroad, especially in France); in part, old notes bearing the portrait of Bao-Dai, which, it was recently remembered, continue to have absolutely legal circulation, their withdrawal being not yet contemplated.

We shall inform our readers, as time goes by, of the details which will be published by the public authorities and the technical services of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, regarding the practical ^{aspects} phases of execution of an operation whose breadth will be not only considerable but also spectacular. We shall henceforth, in so far as we- our modest means permit, ^{place ourselves} at the disposal of the authorities and of the administration in order to help them spread abroad the information which, ^{to operate,} must not give rise to any difficulty of interpretation among the public.

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M. VU QUOC THUC, GOUVERNEUR

NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM, ANNONCE :

L'échange des billets de banque (prévu par les accords inter-Etats) commencera dans 3 semaines en Indochine

Au Viêt-Nam, seront retirées de la circulation 1° les coupures de 1 à 200 piastres portant vignettes du Cambodge et du Laos ; 2° les coupures émises par la Banque de l'Indochine avant la création de l'Institut d'émission inter-Etats (de 1 à 500 p.)

« Cette opération est exclusive de toute forme de dévaluation » précise M. Vu quôc Thuc

Quand l'échange aura pris fin dans les trois Etats, les trois monnaies, dès lors individualisées, pourront éventuellement ne plus garder leurs parités respectives (Lire en page 3.)

On a tenu en enet a « etaler » l'opération dans le temps et à établir une distinction très nette entre « date d'interdiction de circulation » et « date limite d'échange » des billets.

Finances, du Trésor Général et des P.T.T. La commission a, dès hier matin, invité des représentants de l'autorité des provinces à se joindre à ses travaux.

de consignes qui ne doivent soulever aucune difficulté d'interprétation dans le public pour être opérantes.

Les masses monétaires des trois Etats se trouveront ensuite « individualisées » et il ne sera pas impossible que les piastres vietnamienne, cambodgienne et laotienne, suivent dès lors des destinées différentes, en matière de cotation, sur le marché international ; leurs parités pourraient ne pas subsister. (Des accords particuliers de paiement interviendraient en ce cas d'Etat à Etat en Indochine.)

L'opération, qui ressortit à la pure technique et procède, encore une fois, des seuls accords quadripartis, ne doit en principe déterminer aucune variation de la valeur de la piastre, — on dira bientôt : des piastres, — et ne constitue pas l'ombre d'une dévaluation. Si elle entraînait des fluctuations sur le marché parallèle, celles-ci ne seraient que spéculatives. (On sait qu'au Viêt-Nam, la valeur officielle d'échange de la piastre a été fixée à 10 francs français métropolitains jusqu'à la date conventionnelle de principe du 31 décembre prochain.)

Ces précisions, accompagnées de diverses autres non moins importantes, ont été données hier par M. Vu quôc Thuc, Gouverneur de la Banque nationale du Viêt-Nam, au cours d'une conférence de presse. M. Vu quôc Thuc eut la bonté de faire son exposé en français, et plusieurs de nos confrères vietnamiens eurent l'obligeance de lui poser des questions de « question time », quant à leur compréhension de la situation. Quant à son état employé, M.

AUJOURD'HUI

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(Constellations)

ARRIVEES. — Aujourd'hui : de Paris, vers 5 h. Demain : de Paris, vers 5 h. 30.

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CADETS DE LA MARINE

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Je sais toute l'amitié que vous leur avez déjà réservée au cours des campagnes précédentes. Je vous demande de leur accorder à nouveau cette amitié et de donner à nos chers pompons blancs l'occasion de servir leur pays tout en s'assurant un avenir stable au sein de la grande famille qu'est la Marine nationale.
» A vous tous, merci. »
Paul BERGER.

LA METEO

Températures minima du matin hier 5 septembre 1955 : Saigon 24,3 ; Phnom-Penh 23,7 ; Vientiane 22,4 ; Dalat 17,1 ; Tourane 25.
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LE JOURNAL D'...
MARDI 6 SEPTEMBRE 1955

L'échange des billets de banque commencera dans 3 semaines en Indochine

Au Viêt-Nam, seront retirées de la circulation 1° les coupures de 1 à 200 piastres portant vignettes du Cambodge et du Laos ; 2° les coupures émises par la Banque de l'Indochine avant la création de l'Institut d'émission inter-Etats (de 1 à 500 p.)

Dans environ trois semaines, une très importante opération monétaire commencera au Viêt-Nam, au Cambodge et au Laos : l'échange public et simultané, dans chacun des trois Etats, des billets de banque à vignette des deux autres Etats lesquels cesseront localement d'avoir valeur légale.

La fixation exécutoire de la date, établie par décret, sera convenue probablement mardi prochain 13 septembre, lors de la seconde réunion tripartite que tiendront à Saigon les techniciens des finances du Viêt-Nam, du Cambodge et du Laos.

Après cet échange, il sera procédé, à partir d'une date également fixée par décret, à celui des billets de banque émis par la Banque de l'Indochine antérieurement à la création de l'Institut d'Emission inter-Etats.

Ces opérations, qui se dérouleront avec le concours des banques privées et selon une technique dont les moindres détails seront communiqués d'avance au public, procéderont des accords monétaires quadripartis de Paris, aux termes desquels il avait été décidé que les trois Etats effectueraient, avant le 31 octobre 1955, le recensement de leurs circulations fiduciaires propres.

Une date sera d'abord fixée à l'interdiction de circulation des billets « condamnés ». La date limite de leur échange se situera probablement cinq jours plus tard.

On a tenu en effet à « étaler » l'opération dans le temps et à établir une distinction très nette entre « date d'interdiction de circulation » et « date limite d'échange » des billets.

Les masses monétaires des trois Etats se trouveront ensuite « individualisées » et il ne sera pas impossible que les piastres vietnamienne, cambodgienne et laotienne, suivent dès lors des destinées différentes, en matière de cotation, sur le marché international ; leurs parités pourraient ne pas subsister. (Des accords particuliers de paiement interviendraient en ce cas d'Etat à Etat en Indochine).

L'opération, qui ressortit à la pure technique et procède, encore une fois, des seuls accords quadripartis, ne doit en principe déterminer aucune variation de la valeur de la piastre, — on dira bientôt : des piastres, — et ne constitue pas l'ombre d'une dévaluation. Si elle entraînait des fluctuations sur le marché parallèle, celles-ci ne seraient que spéculatives.

(On sait qu'au Viêt-Nam, la valeur officielle d'échange de la piastre a été fixée à 10 francs français métropolitains jusqu'à la date conventionnelle de principe du 31 décembre prochain.)

Ces précisions, accompagnées de diverses autres non moins importantes, ont été données hier par M. Vu quốc Thuc, gouverneur de la Banque nationale du Viêt-Nam, au cours d'une conférence de presse.

M. Vu quốc Thuc eut la bonté de faire son exposé en français, et plusieurs de nos confrères vietnamiens eurent l'agréable surprise de constater l'entente confraternelle, au sujet de la « question technique », pour leurs questions de français. Quant à son employé, M.

Vu voulait bien ensuite résumer pour nous le dialogue.

L'échange au Viêt-Nam, précise notamment M. Vu quốc Thuc, commencera aux environs du 1er octobre et portera d'abord sur les billets où figurent les vignettes du Cambodge et du Laos de 1, 5, 10, 100 et 200 piastres.

La seconde catégorie échangée sera celle des billets de la Banque de l'Indochine de 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 et 500 piastres. (Il est à noter que plusieurs modèles concernant parfois chaque dénomination ; mais beaucoup ne circulent pratiquement plus). Des photos dans les journaux, des affiches dans les lieux publics, indiqueront clairement les billets visés par l'échange.

Selon les estimations des techniciens de la Banque nationale du Viêt-Nam, la masse des billets à retirer atteindra 4 milliards de piastres, sur une circulation globale de 10 milliards au Viêt-Nam.

L'opération présentera assurément, dans sa matérialité, des difficultés d'ordre 1° technique (disposer d'un nombre suffisant de nouveaux billets), 2° logistique (ravitailler à point voulu les organismes échangeurs), 3° organisateur (créer des guichets là où il n'y en a pas...).

Ces difficultés ont déterminé la création d'une commission permanente spécialisée, où siègent, outre les techniciens de la B.N.V., des représentants des ministères de l'Intérieur et des Finances, du Trésor Général et des P.T.T. La commission a, dès hier matin, invité des représentants de l'autorité des provinces à se joindre à ses travaux.

Toutes les mesures utiles doivent être en effet arrêtées pour défendre les intérêts généraux, à savoir en premier lieu ceux des populations qui, si elles étaient insuffisamment informées, pourraient être victimes de spéculateurs sans scrupule ; tels que ceux qui, par exemple, parleraient de stocks de billets faux ou bien tenteraient d'accréditer la rumeur d'une dévaluation, afin de racheter, dans l'un et l'autre cas, les billets à bas prix... pour les échanger ensuite au prix fort.

Quels seront les nouveaux billets remis en échange des anciens ?

En partie des billets neufs, a déclaré M. Vu, (dont plusieurs commandes ont été passées à l'étranger, en France notamment) ; en partie des anciens billets à l'effigie de Bao-Dai, dont il a été rappelé naguère que le cours reste absolument légal, leur retrait n'étant pas encore envisagé.

Nous informerons nos lecteurs, au fur et à mesure, des précisions qui seront divulguées par les pouvoirs publics et les services techniques de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam, sur les modalités pratiques d'exécution d'une opération dont l'ampleur sera non seulement considérable, mais spectaculaire. Nous nous mettons d'ores et déjà entièrement, dans la mesure de nos modestes moyens, à la disposition des autorités et de l'administration pour leur faciliter la « vulgarisation » de consignes qui ne doivent soulever aucune difficulté d'interprétation dans le public pour être opérantes.

AUJOURD'HUI

COURRIER AVION

AIR FRANCE
(Constellations)

ARRIVEES. — Aujourd'hui : de Paris, vers 5 h. Demain : de Paris, vers 5 h. 30.

DEPARTS. — Aujourd'hui : pour Manille et Tokyo, vers 6 h. 30. Demain : pour Hongkong, vers 7 h.

CADETS DE LA MARINE

La Ligue Maritime et d'Outre-Mer communique :

« Une fois de plus, jusqu'au 10 septembre, des groupes de Cadets vous offriront l'insigne « Cadets » édité par la Ligue Maritime et d'Outre-Mer au Viêt-Nam afin de mener à bien l'instruction et le rapatriement de ses protégés.

« Je sais toute l'amitié que vous leur avez déjà réservée au cours des campagnes précédentes. Je vous demande de leur accorder à nouveau cette amitié et de donner à nos chers pompons blancs l'occasion de servir leur pays tout en s'assurant un avenir stable au sein de la grande famille qu'est la Marine nationale.

» A vous tous, merci. »
Paul BERGER.

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BANQUE NATIONAL DU VIET-NAM

SAIGON TO NEWYORK
SEPTEMBER 7 1955

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SEP 16 1955

M. M. W.

SEP 13 1955

The photostat of the writings sent with your letter of August 30 are correct.

The accent mark over the "O" in MUOI DONG is used when the word is singular. MUOI DONG - Meaning - TEN DONGS

When the word is used in the plural sense as in HAI MUOI DONG and in NAM MUOI DONG the accent mark is not used.

HAI MUOI DONG - means - TWO TENS DONGS
NAM MUOI DONGS means - FIVE TENS DONGS

In other words when MUOI is preceded by a qualifying word then the accent mark is not used. The sort of exclamation mark on the U And O are actually part of the letter it is not a separate accent mark as such. Please see the Vietnamese alphabet which I hope you have received.

current Far Eastern Representative.
#-Pamphlet filed loose in drawer.

HMN

I tried to put in the curled top completing the O and the U but my writing (ball point) equipment is not suitable for making fine lines. however I believe you can follow the above explanation.

SEP 13 1955
M.M.W.

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SEP 14 1955

The photograph of the witness and the one of the other of the witness.

The account of the witness is that the witness saw the witness in the witness's car.

Then the witness saw the witness in the witness's car in the witness's car.

HAL TROTTER - 1000 10th St. N.W.
WASH. D.C. 20004

The witness saw the witness in the witness's car in the witness's car.

SEP 13 1955



A.B.N. CO.
1000 10th St. N.W.
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copy of telegram sent.
see memo below

Saigon to New York
September 7 1955

Telegram to

A. L. S.
SEP 14 1955

SEP 13 1955
M. M. W.

BANKNOTE NEW YORK

Your letter august 24 first three shipments 4800000
pieces almost definitely required airfreight can you
improve shipment promised by ten days would you use
cartons telegraph extra cost airfreight also transit time
NewYork Saigon stop airmail schedule showing quantities also
shipment and arrival dates stop duong replaced other changes
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The Banque has had a number of Changes Duong Tan Tai is no longer
Governor, he resigned in order to retain his French citizenship, having
recently been honored by the French Government with the Legion of Honor.

Vu Quoc Thuc, former Vice Governor is now Governor, he is quiet the opposite
of Duong Tan Tai

Nguyen Huu Hanh, former Director of American Aid and Credit Operations at
the Banque Nationale is now Director of Administrative Service and acts in
the capacity of the Governor's right hand man, interprets etc, Albert Velou
no longer acts as the interpreter, which in a way is unfortunate.-

Conditions here and heads of organizations, will no doubt be subject to
change from time to time. -

I saw John G. Dean, this morning - he was much impressed with the Company
and enjoyed meeting Mr Schomp and Mr Wise, he did not mention meeting Mr Strong.

sender H G Mc Neary Apartment 21 55 Rue Flandin Sent Sept 7 1955

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W.F.C.
SEP 14 1955

M.M.W.
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A.L.S.
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SEP 13 1955

Vietnam Revised deliveries

— per 7004 9/8/55

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Oct. 13 - 300,000
 26 - 500,000
 Nov 9 - 1,500,000
 23 - 2,500,000
 Dec. 7 - 3,500,000

+ continuing

Final on July 3, 1954 - 2,700,000
 (Week later than former)

500s

Previous

Oct 13	-	200,000	Oct. 24	-	200,000
26	-	300,000	Nov. 2	-	300,000
Nov. 9		500,000	16	-	500,000
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21		1,000,000			
Jan 4		1, —			
18		1, —			

Final

(Same as before)

9/8/55

Viet-Nam Bank Notes

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SEP 23 1955

Estimated additional cost for shipping
4,800,000 notes by air as per Mr. McKeary's
cable of 9/7 - \$23,759. (Say about \$23,800.)

Transit time - San Francisco / Saigon -

Flights - Monday - Friday - Saturday

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Arriving Saigon - Friday - Monday - Wednesday

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4,800
240 cases

4,800
45-
\$24,000

\$4.96 - per M.
34,800 / 7 = 238,400
192
460
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61

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MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

Via RCA

September 8, 1955

Your telegram seventh by use of extraordinary measures will undertake have shipments ready as follows 300,000 notes 100 denomination October thirteenth 500,000 October twentysixth 1,500,000 November ninth 2,500,000 November twentythird and 7,000,000 monthly thereafter stop 500 denomination 200,000 October thirteenth 300,000 October twentysixth 500,000 November ninth 1,000,000 November twentythird and 2,000,000 monthly thereafter stop This represents allout effort and barring unforeseen contingencies stop

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4.70 and 5.88 per thousand notes of 100 and

500 denominations respectively elapsed shipment time New York Saigon about one week
shipments leaving San Francisco Mondays Fridays Saturdays arriving Saigon Fridays Mondays
Wednesdays respectively stop Re your Saigon telegram August tenth also our letter August
twenty ninth to you Bangkok have you verified that Hunt received litho order Vietnam and
details if true Our registered letters August thirty first and September second direct to
Governor Vietnam bank forwarded sets face and back proofs 500 and 100 denominations
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-3- SEP -9 1955

"Via RCA"

comments trust you are pleased stop Our letter August twentyfourth to you care Banvina
requested instructions concerning preparation specimens any request deviation from
customary procedure needed at once please advise.

IKHOP (Colclough)

MMW:ed

OK *[signature]*

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ETAT DU VIET-NAM

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N° 260/C/BN

OBJET :

Saigon le 8 Septembre 1955.

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

A Monsieur le PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY,
70, Broad Street,

FILED
SEP 23 1955

NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.

W. F. C.

SEP 15 1955

Ack
9/15/55
ref.

Monsieur le Président,

M. M. W.

SEP 15 1955

Me référant à vos lettres des 31 Août et 2
Septembre 1955, j'ai l'honneur de vous faire retour ci-joint,
revêtues de mon approbation, les épreuves définitives des
billets de 100\$ et de 500\$.

En ce qui concerne les maquettes et photos non
adoptées, je vous les renverrai par courrier à part.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assu-
rance de ma haute considération.

Trans.:

Mr. President:

Referring to your letters
of August 31st and September 2, 1955,
I have the honor to return to you here-
with, bearing my approval, the definitive
proofs of the notes of 100\$ and 500\$.

As regards the models and photos not adopted,
I shall return them to you by separate mail.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances
of my high consideration.

(ED)



VŨ-QUỐC-THÚC

RECEIVED DEPT.
A.B.N.CO.



SEP 15 1955

copy.

ETAT DU VIET-NAM

SAIGON le 8 September 1955

M. M. W.

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Banque Nationale du Vietnam

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VU - QUỐC - THỨC

this letter advises return of the die proofs.-
please refer to my letter of September 10 which is a reply.

TRANSLATION

A. L. S.

SEP 12 1955

STATE OF VIET-NAM

Saigon, September 8, 1955.

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

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SEP 23 1955

Messrs. De la Roche

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M. M. W.

to The President of the American Bank Note Company,
70 Broad St., New York 4, N.Y.

SEP 12 1955

ack 9/15/55

Mr. President,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 24th informing me of the measures which you have taken in connection with the execution of the orders issued by my predecessor to the American Bank Note Company.

In confirming the instructions which have previously been given to your representative, Mr. McNeary, concerning the maquettes of the notes of 100\$ and of 500\$ and in particular the terms of the letter-order, No. 181-c/BN of July 18, 1955, I request you to be good enough to have the printing work on these notes expedited; I shall have return to you a copy of the definitive proofs as soon as they reach me. As regards the first maquettes and the photographs which you sent to the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, they will be returned to you if possible at the same time as the endorsed definitive proofs.

I have had no comment to make on the numbering of the notes, it being understood that the numbers will be reproduced on the wrappings at the moment of shipment in order to facilitate verification at time of arrival.

I regret that the times of delivery originally fixed cannot be abided by. In view of the urgency of the needs of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, I believe I must insist that the first shipments be effected on the following dates from New York:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Notes of 100\$</u>	<u>Notes of 500\$</u>
10/14/55	300,000	200,000
10/22/55	1,000,000	300,000
11/6/55	2,500,000	500,000
Total...	3,800,000	1,000,000

Furthermore, I might consider having the above-indicated quantities sent to Saigon by air. In any event, in order to avoid any surprise, I shall take the precaution of advising you by telegraph a week before the dates fixed

The Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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above for shipments from New York, indicating to you the manner of shipment which I have chosen.

I would also be obliged to you if you would be good enough to inform me as soon as possible the exact price of air freight from New York to Saigon, the rate of 5 U.S. \$ per 1,000 notes indicated in my letter of July 18, 1955, being merely an indicative figure.

Furthermore, I give you my accord on the conditions of preservation of the engraved plates and of the defective notes. On the other hand, I call your attention to Chapter X (1st paragraph) of the letter order of July 18, 1955, relative to discards. These discards must be burned before a representative of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam and a minute of proceedings must be drawn up for each operation.

I send you herewith a sample of letters to appear on the 1,000 notes which you are good enough to place at the disposal of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, as specimens.

While reiterating my thanks for your collaboration, I beg you to accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my high consideration.

(Sgd.)

VU-QUOC-THUC

(Here appears a stamped seal reading:
State of Viet-Nam
The Governor
Banque National du Viet-Nam)

memo To Order Dept (ED)

9/11/55
JWB

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BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N° 259/c /BN

OBJET :

*Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam.**A Monsieur Le* PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY,
70, Broad Street,NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.FILING
SEP 23 1955

Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre du 24 Août m'informant des dispositions que vous avez prises en vue de l'exécution des commandes qui ont été passées par mon prédécesseur à l'Américan Bank Note Company.

En vous confirmant les instructions qui ont été précédemment communiquées à votre représentant, M. Mc NEARY, concernant les maquettes des billets de 100\$ et de 500\$ et en particulier les termes de la lettre-commande n°181-c/BN du 18 Juillet 1955, je vous prie de bien vouloir faire activer les travaux d'impression de ces billets; je vous ferai retour d'un exemplaire des épreuves définitives dès que celles-ci me seront parvenues, en ce qui concerne les premières maquettes et les photographies que vous avez communiquées à la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam, elles vous seront renvoyées si possible en même temps que les épreuves définitives susvisées.

Le numérotage des billets n'a fait l'objet d'aucune remarque de ma part, étant entendu que les numéros seront reproduits sur les emballages au moment de la livraison, en vue de faciliter toute vérification à l'arrivée.

Je regrette que les délais de livraisons primitivement fixés ne puissent être respectés; vu l'urgence des besoins de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam, je crois devoir insister auprès de vous pour que les premières livraisons soient effectuées aux dates ci-après à New-York :

<u>Dates</u>	!	<u>Coupures de 100\$</u>	!	<u>Coupures de 500\$</u>
14-10-55	!	300.000	!	200.000
22-10-55	!	1.000.000	!	300.000
6-11-55	!	2.500.000	!	500.000
Total...	!	3.800.000	!	1.000.000

En outre, . . .

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En outre, j'envisagerais peut être de faire venir à Saigon les quantités susindiquées par la voie aérienne. De toute façon, pour éviter toute surprise, je prendrai la précaution de vous aviser télégraphiquement une semaine avant les dates fixées ci-dessus pour les livraisons à New-York pour vous indiquer le mode de transport que j'aurai adopté.

Je vous serais par ailleurs obligé de bien vouloir me faire connaître dès que possible le prix exact du frêt par avion de New-York à Saigon, le taux de 5 U.S.\$ par 1.000 billets indiqué dans ma lettre du 18 Juillet 1955 n'étant qu'un chiffre indicatif.

Je vous donne d'autre part mon accord sur les conditions de conservation des plaques gravées et des billets fautés. Par contre, j'attire votre attention sur le chapitre X (alinéa 1er) de la lettre commande du 18 Juillet 1955 relatif aux déchets de billets. Ces déchets devront être brûlés devant un représentant de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam et un procès-verbal devra être établi à chaque opération.

Je vous fais parvenir ci-joint un modèle de lettres à faire figurer sur les 1.000 billets que vous voudrez bien mettre à la disposition de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam, à titre de spécimen.

En vous renouvelant mes remerciements, pour votre collaboration, je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma haute considération./.



VŨ QUỐC THÚC

GIẤY MẪU

Document - see H/DM/10/10/55

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PRICE SAID 350000 FOB SHIPMENT SEPTEMBER TWELFTH COMPLETING
OCTOBER FIFTEENTH STOP DIEPROOFS EXCELLENT BANVINA RETURNED
INITIALED COPY DIRECT STOP WHEN MUST YOU HAVE DECISION REGARDING
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"Via RCA"
September 9, 1955

MCNEARY
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SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

Urtel 9th air shipments must have decision soonest possible to order special size
cartons which require several weeks

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American Bank Note Co., 70 Broad St.

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September 9, 1955

Mr. Arnold Reece
Art Director
Bronx Plant

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
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We are returning herewith the original face and back models which were prepared for the above orders on Model Schedule 24776. These were approved by the Bank subject to certain subsequent revisions which were effected on revised models and proofs approved by us.

We are sending these direct to you so that you may observe the condition in which the 500 Piastres model was received by Mr. McNeary. You will recall our verbal advice to you on July 27th of the report received from Mr. McNeary concerning the damage.

Enclosures
JJG:ed

Manager Foreign Department

File

Rel. Memo 9/21/55
W.F.C.
SEP 14 1955
H.G.M.
J.W.B.

Saigon Viet-Nam
September 9, 1955

H. B. Vu-Mac-Huan, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon.

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SEP 23 1955

M. M. W.
SEP 15 1955

Re: Revised Shipment Schedule for
Air-Shipments from New York to Saigon.

Excellency:

Pursuant to my letter of August 11 and in reply to your request of September 7, regarding the earliest possible date for shipments by air freight from New York to Saigon, I have today received the following from New York. Our President Mr. Colclough Jr has taken a personal interest in this matter and the schedule shown below represents a definite all-out effort of the best we can do to meet your urgent needs. The complete telegram reads as follows.

Referring to your telegram of the seventh September by the use of extraordinary measures we will undertake to have shipments ready as follows.

<u>100 Denominations</u>		<u>500 Denominations</u>
300,000 notes	October 13	200,000
500,000 notes	October 26	300,000
1,500,000 notes	November 9	500,000
2,500,000 notes	November 23	1,000,000
7,000,000 notes	Monthly thereafter	2,000,000

*This represents a definite all-out effort and barring unforeseen contingencies stop extra cost for air-freight using cartons customary for air-shipments would approximate \$4.70 per thousand for 100 denomination and approximately \$5.85 per thousand notes for the 500 denomination.

*Elapsed shipment time New York to Saigon is about one week.

*Shipments leaving San Francisco Monday, Friday and Saturday arriving Saigon Friday, Monday, Wednesday respectively.

*By our registered letters of August thirtyfirst and September Second direct to Governor Banque Nationale we forwarded sets face and back proofs of 100 and 500 denominations has the Banque Nationale received them.

*Our letter August Twentyfourth to you care Banque Nationale requested instructions concerning preparation of specimens any request deviation from customary procedure needed at once please advise.

H.E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

September 9 1955

M. M. W.

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I would be pleased to know if you have received New York's registered letter of August 31 and September 2nd which contained the die proofs, the copy of the dieproof which is to be returned to New York can be given to me and I will arrange for its return.

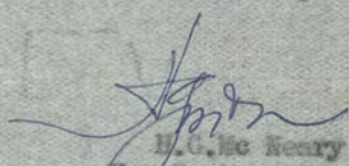
The approved models referred to in the second paragraph of your letter to New York dated September 8th were given to me by H.E. Duong Tan Tai and have been returned to New York. However, the photographs of the models are still outstanding and we would appreciate it if you will please return them so that our files will be complete.

We would strongly urge a prompt decision with regard to the quantity of notes you will require by air freight. 1. Because air travel and also shipments of other goods are currently heavy and space must be booked as far in advance as possible. 2. In addition to having special cartons made other formalities must be attended to.

I note you have sent the Viet-nam spelling of the word meaning specimen to New York, will you also please supply me with a copy of the model of lettering, so that I can send detailed instructions to New York.

Please be assured of the American Bank Note Company's full cooperation and kindly accept, the assurances of my highest esteem.

Yours very truly


H.C. Mc Neary
Far Eastern Representative
American Bank Note Company

HMM/

see 9/10
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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Specimen notes

Saigon to New York
September 10 1955

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SEP 23 1955

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TWB
M. M. W.
SEP 14 1955

attached

In your letter of August 24 you mentioned the Vietnamese equivalent of the work "Specimen", in a separate cover posted earlier this afternoon I sent you the Vietnamese wording, since these people know nothing of how a specimen should be marked, I will leave it entirely to you as to where and how the words should be shown, I agree with you that the specimens should be marked on both the face and the back.

The Banque also sent vitnamese writings for the word specimen with their letter of September 8. Kindly disregard their writings because one of the accent marks over the letter "A" in the word MAU is incorrect. see my letter of Sept 10, page 2 next to last para.

H. G. Henry
Far Eastern Representative.

HMN.

M. M. W.
SEP 11 1955



SEP 14 1955



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PRINCIPALE TAXE

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Total...

ÉTAT DU VIÊT-NAM
POSTES — TÉLÉGRAPHES — TÉLÉPHONES

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de mots

DATE

HEURE
de dépôt

MENTION DE SERVICE

CADRE A REMPLIR TRÈS LISIBLEMENT PAR L'EXPÉDITEUR

INDICATIONS abrégées à porter en tête de
l'adresse en cas de demande de services spéciaux :
Télégramme urgent (double taxe) = URGENT
Accusé de réception télégramme = P. O. R. P.
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ADRESSE :

(en lettres majuscules)

d'imprimerie)

TEXTE :

et éventuellement

signature très lisible

L.T. BANGKOK NEW YORK

YOUR MESSAGE BEING REPLYED MONDAY STOP
URGENT BANGKOK MUST HAVE DELIVERY BANGKOK STOP
STOP BANGKOK LATER MONDAY DELIVERY BANGKOK
URGENT BANGKOK MUST HAVE DELIVERY BANGKOK

Nom et adresse de l'expéditeur :

(Ces indications ne sont taxées et transmises que sur la demande expresse de l'expéditeur)

SENT BY H.G. MCHARY APARTMENT 21 75 rue Flandin Sept 10th

PRINCIPALES TAXES TÉLÉGRAPHIQUES

DESTINATIONS	TAXE PAR MOT EN PIASTRES		DESTINATIONS	TAXE PAR MOT EN PIASTRES	
	Télégramme ordinaire	Télégramme lettre		Télégramme ordinaire	Télégramme lettre
Australie.....	28,64	14,32	Hongkong.....	11,50	5,75
Belgique.....	22,31	11,16	Inde.....	16,79	8,40
Birmanie.....	19,55	9,78	Indonésie.....	9,78	4,89
Canada.....	24,04	12,02	Italie.....	23,17	11,59
Chine { Shanghai... 18,17	9,09		Japon.....	11,50	5,75
{ Tatwan... 6,79	8,40		Malaisie et Singapour	11,50	5,75
Etablissements Fran- çais de l'Inde....	16,79	8,40	Pakistan.....	17,48	8,74
États-Unis d'Amérique	17,82	8,91	Philip- } Manilo... 11,60	5,75	
France et Union Fran- çaise.....	11,50	5,75	{ Autres bureaux.. 16,10	8,05	
Grande Bretagne...	23,41	11,7	Thaïlande.....	5,75	
Hollande.....	23,12	11,56			

NOTA. — Le minimum des mots taxés est fixé à :

10 pour les télégrammes urgents et ordinaires du régime intérieur.

5 pour les télégrammes urgents et ordinaires du régime international.

22 pour les télégrammes-lettres.

ABONNÉS AU TÉLÉPHONE
VOULEZ-VOUS :

USAGERS DU TÉLÉGRAPHIQUE, VOULEZ VOUS,

a) Éviter les dérangements que comporte le dépôt au guichet ?

b) Avoir plus rapidement connaissance des télégrammes à votre adresse ?

Demandez à participer au service des télégrammes téléphonés. Vous pouvez ainsi téléphoner de votre domicile les télégrammes que vous avez à envoyer et recevoir par télex, ceux qui vous sont destinés (dans ce dernier cas, une copie confirmative du tgr vous sera, en outre adressée gratuitement par poste).

Ce service est effectué moyennant une surtaxe de 3 \$. Par télégramme (rédigé en français ou vietnamien et par fraction indivisible de 50 mots.

Vous aurez d'ailleurs, en vous adressant au bureau de poste, au receveur, au guichet, tous les renseignements complémentaires dont vous pourrez avoir besoin en ce qui concerne le service.

a) Réduire au minimum la durée des attentes au guichet ?

Déposez vos télégrammes en usant de la procédure dite « EN COMPTÉ ».

Le règlement de vos taxes sera effectué en fin de mois sans aucun supplément.

b) Que l'acheminement et la distribution de vos télégrammes soient accélérés ?

Envoyez-les avec la mention « URGENT ». Ils supportent une double taxe, mais bénéficieront de la priorité de transmission sur tout le parcours et de la priorité de remise à l'arrivée.

c) Vous prémunir contre les risques d'altération d'un télegramme en cours d'acheminement ?

Demandez le COLLATIONNEMENT du texte de votre télégramme. Celui-ci sera répété intégralement de bureau à bureau en cours de transmission. Ce service est effectué moyennant un supplément de taxe de 50 p., 100 p.

d) Connaitre la date et l'heure de la remise de votre télégramme au destinataire ?

Demandez un ACCUSÉ DE RÉCEPTION

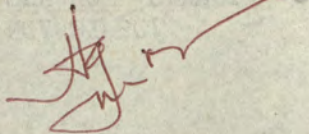
Envoi de l'accuse de réception } par poste : 1.50 piastres
par télégraphe : 15.00 piastres

accent mark over the " A " in MAU is incorrect

REC'D WITH HGM ^{EN} LETTER 9/10/55

GIẤY MẤU²

NOT TO BE USED ACCENT MARK OVER THE
" A " IN MAU IS NOT CORRECT.

SEP 23 1955


THE ACCENT MARK SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE NGA SYMBOL
SEE THE VIETNAMESE ALPHABET AND NOT THE HOI SYMBOL

see page 2 next to last paragraph my letter of
September 10th 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Air shipments.

W. F. C.
SEP 14 1955

Saigon to New York
September 10th 1955

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SEP 23 1955

Rec'd
9/21/55
JWB

M. M. W.

SEP 15 1955

confirming exchange of tele grams.

Yours September 8 recd Sept 9 11 a.m.

Your telegram seventh by use of extraordinary measures will undertake have shipments ready as follows 300,000 notes 100 denomination october thirteenth 500,000 October twentysixth 1,500,000 November ninth 2,500,000 November twentythird and 7,000,000 monthly thereafter stop 500 denomination 200,000 october thirteenth 300,000 october twentysixth 500,000 november ninth 1,000,000 november twentythird and 2,000,000 monthly thereafter stop this represents all out effort and barring unforeseen contingencies stop extra cost air freight using cartons customary for air shipments would approximate 4.70 and 5.88 per thousand notes of 100 and 500 denomination respectively elapsed shipment time New York saigon about one week shipments leaving san francisco monday fridays saturdays arriving saigon friday mondays wednesdays respectively stop re your Saigon telegram august tenth also your letter august twentyninth to you Bangkok have you verified that Hunt received litho order Vietnam and details if true our registered letters august thirtyfirst and september second direct to governor vietnam bank forwarded set face and back proofs 500 and 100 denomination respectively your copies without enclosures sent Bangkok has bank received and what comments trust you are pleased stop our letter august twentyfourth to you care banvina requested instructions concerning preparation specimens any requested deviation from customary procedure needed at once please advise. IKHOP

Ours September 9

Hunt hundred million litho four denominations 125200 respectively price said 350,000 fob shipment september twelfth completing october fifteenth stop dieproofs excellent banvina returned initiled copies direct stop when must you have decision regarding air shipments vietnamese writings specimen airmailed.

Hunts litho deal is 100 million notes said to cost \$350,000. fob phila. quantities and shipment dates are as follows.- so I am told.

<u>shipment date.</u>	<u>200\$</u>	<u>5\$</u>	<u>2\$</u>	<u>1\$</u>	(shown in million notes)
September 12	4				
September 19	10	4			
September 26	6	8	2		
October 3		8	10	2	
October 10			10	13	
October 17			8	15	
	20	20	30	30	total 100,000,000

ICA (John Dean and Frank W. Schiff) said Washington has permitted releasing US\$ 150,000. to defray the cost of air freight on 40 million of the Hunt notes. Schiff told me that was their limit and the Banque could use it as they saw fit, and if any additional air freight was to be paid the Banque would have to do the paying from their own funds. I gather the ICA is not too pleased with the cooperation they have received from the Bank.

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The Governor, Vu-Qouc-Thuc, has not yet decided whether or not he will require air shipments and said he would cable you at the end of September.

In their letter dated September 8th, sent direct to you, they said (see para 5) " In addition to the foregoing I plan to have the above mentioned quantities of banknotes to be transported to Saigon by air freight; anyway and to avoid any surprise, I will take the precaution to advise you by cable one week before the date fixed above for the delivery at New York in order that you will be informed of the kind of transportation I have chosen". This is indeed stupid.

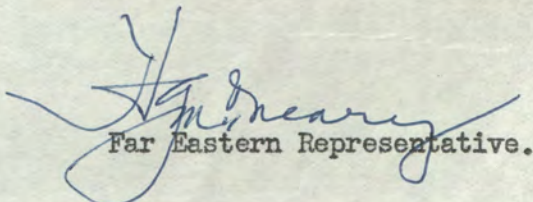
In reply to this please refer to my letter of September 9, to the Governor, page 2. para 3.- " We would strongly urge a prompt decision with regard to the quantities of notes you will require by air freight. 1.- Because air travel and also shipments of other goods are currently heavy and space must be booked as far in advance as possible. 2.- In addition to having special cartons made other formalities must be attended to".

I have this minute received your telegram of September 9.- "Urtel 9th air shipments must have decision soonest possible to order special size cartons which require several weeks". It is now noon Saturday, the Banque closed at 11.30 so I will have to wait until Monday before presenting your dead-line on air-shipments to the Governor.

Vietnamese writing for specimen. The Banque sent you direct the Vietnamese writings for the word specimen, which is GIAY MAU. These writings should have been given to me but the Chief Secretary was too ambitious and anxious to get them to you so the letter was posted without showing me the writings. Later I was given a copy of the two words and after making inquiries found the accent mark over the " A " in MAU are incorrect.- the corrected writings are enclosed.- (the thing which looks like the letter N at a slight angle is the fancy way of showing the accent symbol "nga" which you will see in the vietnamese alphabet I sent you.) I will telegraph you to disregard the Banks wording and to await this new writing.-

Steamers NY/Saigon. As a matter of information let me know steamer schedules NY/Saigon, what lines will be used and what is the time in transit NY/Saigon.

Lo Order SW.
10/21


Far Eastern Representative.

W. F. C.
SEP 14 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM
RE: RETURN OF ALL PHOTOGRAPHS
and INITIALED DIE PROOFS

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SEP 23 1955

SAIGON TO NEWYORK
SEPTEMBER 10
1955

ack'd - 9/21/55
JWB

M. M. W.

SEP 15 1955

NOTHING FOR FILING

Attached is my letter of September 10 asking for the return of all outstanding photographs and thanking the Banque for returning to you, direct, the initialed die-proof, which they found excellent.

I informed the Governor, the initialed die-proofs were to be handed to me and that I would return them to you, but the Chief Secretary anxious to attend to thing promptly sent the letter and proofs direct to you. It was my intention to show the die-proofs to John Dean, Frank W. Schiff of the Federal Reserve who acts as the US Missions Finance man and to the Ambassador.-

Enclosed are the two face photographs (100 and 500 denominations) forwarded by you on July 27 and presented to the Bank August 3. Photos of the back models are still outstanding, the Governor claims to have no knowledge of where they might be, but said he would locate them.

John Dean
Far Eastern Representative.

HMN.

Ign. Sept. photo file.

REC'D WITH *Hgmen* LETTER *9/10/55*

Saigon Viet-Nam
September 10, 1955

M. M. W.
SEP 15 1955

H. E. Vu-Quec-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon.

Two Photos of face and back models, without overall
steel medallion tint - delivered August 8.

also

Photos of final design of face models showing the
Overall steel medallion tint - delivered August 8.

Excellency:

Pursuant to my letter of August 3rd., with which I had the pleasure of
presenting for your examination photographs of the 100 and 500 denomination
face and back models. These photographs of the face of the notes did not show
the overall steel medallion tint. In all there were 4 photographs.

Of the foregoing 4 photographs; I wish to acknowledge receiving from you,
the photographs of the face of the 100 and 500 notes. This leaves 2 photographs
of the back models still outstanding. We would appreciate it if you will kindly
return these 2 photographs to complete our records. *

Then with my letter of August 8th., I delivered to H. E. Duong Tan Tai
photographs of the revised 100 and 500 face models. This final design showed the
overall steel medallion tint. We would also appreciate the return of these
face photographs to complete our records. *

As explained in New York's letter of August 24th., with which New York sent
you 2 copies of the final die-proof; "the set for your records and one set, with
each proof initialed by you, to be returned to New York. Upon returning the set
of initialed proofs all photographs previously sent you should also be returned.
It is our custom to retain all such material in our records." Long experience
in furnishing bank notes and monetary documents has proven the wisdom and
importance of this procedure.

I am pleased you found the die-proofs of the notes attractive and thank you
for returning one initialed set to New York with your letter No. 260/e/BN of Sept. 8.
As you know these are exclusive American Bank Note Co., designs. The work is of
the highest artistic excellence and I am confident the notes will be well received
by the public. They are dignified in design and perfectly executed by artists of
exceptional talent. The notes will give you years of satisfactory service in
circulation and also there is that constant assurance that your Government's
prestige and interest of the public are protected.

With assurances of my highest esteem, I am

Sincerely yours

Hgmen
For External Representative.

* Read with Barks'
letter 9/16/55.

see 9/22

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LT BANKNOTE NEWYORK

YOURS NINTH STAMPS REPLYING MONDAY STOP AIRSHIPMENTS INFORMING
BANVINA MUST HAVE DECISION BEFORE SIXTEENTH STOP BANVINAS LETTER
EIGHTH DISREGARD WRITINGS FOR SPECIMEN AWAIT MINE AIRMAILED TENTH

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YOUR EIGHT STAMPS REPLYING MONDAY STOP AIRSHIPPING INFORMATION
BANKING MUST HAVE DELIVERY BEFORE SIXTEEN STOP BANKING LETTER
EIGHT DISCARD WRITING FOR SPECIMEN ABOUT NINE AIRMAILED FIVE

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LT BANKNOTE NEWYORK

SUPPLEMENTING TELEGRAM TENTH ADVISABLE FURNISH BANVINA DEFINITE
REALISTIC AIR DEADLINE DATE BEYOND WHICH SHIPPING DELAYS EQUALS
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RETURNING BWNGKOK FRIDAY

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Banque Nationale du Vietnam
re: Shipments by air NY/Saigon

Saigon to New York
September 11 1955

TELEGRAM TO

L.T.

BANKNOTE

NEW YORK

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Ack'd
9/21/55
JWB

I have told the Governor a number of time he must arrive at a decision as soon as possible, I have also written him on this subject, see my letter September 9th page 2 - 3rd para. - now it is time to set a realistic deadline date beyond which they will be responsible for any delay in shipment.

(Attached were two used bank notes: - To Miss Zeeb for collection 10/5/55)

a 1 piastre note of the Institut d'Emission des Etats du Cambodge, du Laos et du Vietnam

WI 000593691 26960

1 piastre, Banque de l'Indochine - L10129

278 (torn, part of number illegible)

Sender H.G. McNeary

Apartment 21 55 Rue Flaudin

sent September 11 (Sunday)

H.G. McNeary

Selam to New York
September 11 1955

Bureau Nationale de l'Industrie
701 Chateaubain St. N. Saigon

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M. M. W.
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(Noted were two used only notes)

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Vietnam

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Mr. Sauter, First Deputy

says the amount does not include amount to cover cost of air shipments. He says the warship should state if shipment is effected by air an add amount would have to be added at about \$5.00 per 1,000 net.

He will cable for authority to amend the invoice, no request.

E. J.

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MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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via RCA

SENDER PLEASE SPECIFY ROUTE:

INSERT "RCA"

URTEL NINTH WLD APPRECIATE YOUR OPINION WHY BANK ORDERED
LITHO NOTES FROM PHILADELPHIA WHEN WE UNDERSTAND SUBSTANTIAL QUANTITIES
ONES PREVIOUSLY ORDERED FROM BRADBURY AND FIVES TENS FROM RUE stop HAVE
YOU DISCUSSED THIS WITH DEAN stop URTELS TENTH AND ELEVENTH AIRSHIPMENTS
WILL ADVISE TOMORROW

MMW:sg

4:50 p.m.

OK *[signature]*

10100

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September 13, 1955

TO

MCNEARY
CARE BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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SEP 14 1955

via RCA

SENDER PLEASE SPECIFY ROUTE:

INSERT "RCA"

OURS TWELFTH RE AIRSHIPMENTS stop BY TERM CARTON WE REFER TO PACKAGED NOTES WRAPPED FOR AIRSHIPMENTS AS OPPOSED TO PACKAGED NOTES CASED FOR SURFACE TRANSPORTATION stop OUR NEW TYPE AIR CARTON USED SUCCESSFULLY FOR OVERSEAS SHIPMENTS DURING PAST FIVE YEARS CONSISTS EXTERNAL WRAPPINGS OF SEVERAL LAYERS DIFFERENT WEIGHTS SPECIAL KRAFT PAPERS CORRUGATED BOARD AND WATERPROOF INSULATION stop CARTON SEALED WITH GUMMED TAPE TIED WITH STRONG TWINE AND BOUND EACH DIRECTION WITH 1/2 INCH STEEL STRAPS THIS OUTSIDE WRAPPING IS IN ADDITION TO INTERNAL BANDING WRAPPING AND PACKAGING stop TO HAVE INITIAL AIRSHIPMENT READY OCTOBER THIRTEENTH WE MUST HAVE ADEQUATE SUPPLY ABOVE MATERIALS ON HAND AND ACCORDINGLY MUST KNOW TOTAL QUANTITIES EACH DENOMINATION NEEDED BY AIR SHIPMENT NO LATER THAN SEVENTEENTH stop ANY DELAY BEYOND 17TH NATURALLY WILL RESULT IN CORRESPONDING DELAY INITIAL SHIPMENT stop CITIBANK OF COURSE MUST BE APPROPRIATELY AUTHORIZED REGARDING AIRSHIPMENT COST stop TRUST YOU CAN INSTRUCT US IMMEDIATELY AS LOSS TIME NOW WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE AFTER EXTRAORDINARY ENGRAVING AND MANUFACTURING ACCOMPLISHMENTS HERE

W F COLCLOUGH JR

MMW:sg

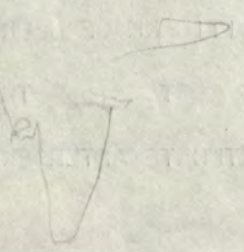
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OK *[Signature]*

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BANKNOTE NEWYORK

YOURS 813 FIRST THREE SHIPMENTS BOTH DENOMINATIONS AIRFREIGHT
TOTAL THREEMILLION THREEHUNDRED THOUSAND CALCULATE AIRFREIGHT
16690 HOWEVER BANVINA INCREASING CITIBANK CREDIT BY TWENTYFOUR
THOUSAND WHICH PROVIDES FOR ADDITIONAL MILLION AND HALF 100
DENOMINATION IN CASE YOU CAN SHIP ALL OR PART OF ADDITIONAL
QUANTITY ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER NINTH WHICH IS BANVINAS
DEADLINE FOR AIRSHIPMENTS STOP LEAVING FRIDAY

CFM BANKNOTE NYK 813 16690 100

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9/21/55
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*See our ltr
to Banque
9/15/55
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Saigon Viet-Nam
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SEP 18 1955

H.E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon

Re: Shipments by air freight from N.Y. to Saigon.

Excellency:

Pursuant to my letter of September 9th, in which I gave details of the quantities and the earliest possible date shipments could be made from New York to Saigon. We again strongly urge a prompt decision with regard to the quantities of notes you will require by air freight.

On September 12th I telegraphed New York asking for their definite deadline date for air shipments and have this noon received their reply, which reads. -

"Regarding air shipments step by term carton we refer to packaged notes wrapped for air shipments as opposed to packaged notes cased for surface transportation. Step our new type air carton used successfully for overseas shipments during past five years consists external wrappings of several layers different weights special kraft papers corrugated board and waterproof insulation step cartons sealed with gummed tape tied with strong twine and bound each direction with 1/2 inch steel straps this outside wrapping is in addition to internal banding wrapping and packaging step to have initial air shipment ready October thirteenth we must have adequate supply of above material on hand and accordingly must know total quantities for each denomination needed by air shipment no later than seventeenth step any delay beyond 17th naturally will result in corresponding delay of initial shipment step The National City Bank of New York of course must be appropriately authorized regarding air shipment cost step trust you can instruct us immediately as loss time now would be unfortunate after extraordinary engraving and manufacturing accomplishments here. W.F.Colclough Jr. (President)"

In his telegram, Mr Colclough Jr., President of the Company points out the problems involved in making air shipments. He strongly urges a decision be reached, on or before September seventeenth, so that we can plan shipping the quantities you will require.

Previous telegrams from New York have also warned that air shipments must be booked as far in advance as possible in order to insure prompt handling of the cargo. Space for air shipments has been very much in demand and so, we therefore urge you to please reach a prompt decision.

H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

September 14, 1955

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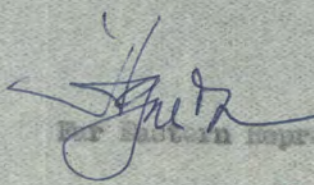
The deadline date for reaching a decision to make the first air shipment as scheduled in our letter of September 9th, is given in the foregoing telegram as September 17th. Any delay beyond that date in notifying New York will result in a corresponding delay in the initial shipment. Any loss of time now would certainly be extremely unfortunate especially after all the extraordinary effort and priority which was given to the engraving and other operations.

When you reach a decision regarding the quantities you will require by air, kindly telegraph the National City Bank of New York advising them of the new shipping arrangements and of the quantities of each denomination to be shipped by air also the total amount of the additional air freight cost which they are to include in the letter of credit.

We regret that more time cannot be allowed. We bring this very urgent matter to your attention at this time so that your interests may be protected and if you decide on air shipments that you may receive the very best service. Time is very important and we trust you will be able to reach a prompt decision.

With assurances of our highest consideration,

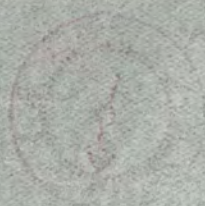
Sincerely yours


Per Eastern Representative

HEN.

The original of NY's telegram is attached.

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American Bank Note Company
Garrison Ave. & Tiffany St.
New York 59, N.Y.

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OFFICE OF THE MANAGER
BRONX PLANT

M. M. W.

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SEPTEMBER 14, 1955

MR. M.M. WISE
MGR. FOREIGN DEPT.

J. W. B.
SEP 20 1955

SUBJECT: BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM - F 13692 & F 13693

PLEASE HAVE CHANGE SLIP ADDED TO THE ABOVE ORDER
TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"CANCEL NOTE ON ABOVE ORDER PRETAINING TO PRESS
ROOM SPOILS, AND NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

ON THIS ORDER NO WORK IS BE CREMATED UNTIL THE
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BANK IS PRESENT AND AUTHORIZES
CREMATION OF SAME. THIS INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDES
CANCELLED PRESS SPOILS, CANCELLED O.K. SHEETS,
(OF PLATES CRACKED IN PROCESS)."

TW/AS
C/C T.J.WHYMARK, JR.

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MANAGER.

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see 9/16

M. M. W.
SEP 15 1955

SEPTEMBER 15, 1955

MEMO

MR. J. M. WISE
MR. J. M. WISE

SUBJECT: BATHING ATTENDANCE ON VETERAN - E. J. GOS - E-15693

PLEASE HAVE CHARGE OF IF ADDED TO THE ABOVE ORDER
TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"CANCEL NOTE ON A ONE ORDER PREVIOUS TO THIS
ROOM BILLS, AND NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

ON THIS ORDER NO WORK IS BE CANCELED UNTIL THE
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BATHING IS PRESENT AND AUTHORIZED
CANCELLATION OF SAME. THIS INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDES
CANCELED PRESS, BILLS, CANCELED C.O., SHEETS,
(OR PLATES GRABED IN PROCESS)."

MANAGER.

THAS
C. T. J. MYNARK, JR.

SEP 15 3 05 PM '55
ORDER DEPT.

MMW:ed
cc: HGM-Manila

Air Mail

September 15, 1955

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81 Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

FILING
SEP 16 1955

Excellency:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 8th returning therewith, bearing your approval, the definitive die proofs of the notes of 100\$ and 500\$. Although distance and limitations of time were major obstacles for both you and us to overcome, we have the feeling that you are as gratified as we are with the excellent results of our mutually cooperative efforts.

I also wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 8th replying to mine of August 24th regarding the execution of your order. We now appear to be in complete accord on all details.

I confirm our recently revised shipping schedule, which, as reported to you by Mr. McNeary on September 9th, and barring unforeseen contingencies, is as follows:

	<u>100 Denomination</u>	<u>500 Denomination</u>
October 13th	300,000	200,000
October 26th	500,000	300,000
November 9th	1,500,000	500,000
November 23rd	2,500,000	1,000,000
Monthly thereafter	7,000,000	2,000,000

Pursuant to your instructions, cabled to us by Mr. McNeary yesterday, we shall forward the first three of the above shipments, corresponding to October 13th, October 26th and November 9th, of both denominations, totalling 3,300,000 notes, by air freight. I note that you also authorize the

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M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

September 15, 1955

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shipment by air freight of an additional 1,500,000 notes of denomination 100, or any part thereof, provided they can be forwarded on or before November 9th, which is your deadline for air shipments. While it is still too early to make any promise with respect to an additional quantity, we shall bear your authorization in mind and comply if at all possible.

As regards the foregoing, we are advised by Mr. McNeary that you are increasing by \$24,000 the letter of credit held in our favor by The First National City Bank of New York.

We appreciate the splendid cooperation we have constantly received from the Banque and, in extending to you, Excellency, the assurances of my highest personal esteem, may I also offer my heartiest congratulations on your designation as Governor.

Sincerely yours,

President

per 10/25

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Air Mail Mr. H. G. McNeary
September 15, 1955 c/o Manila Hotel
Manila, Philippines

Dear Mr. McNeary:

FILING
SEP 16 1955

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 7th and thank you for explaining the use of the accent over the word "MUOI".

We also thank you for the Viet-Nameese alphabet book which has now come to hand.

Very truly yours,

Manager Foreign Department

JJG:sg

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September 15, 1955

Mr. W. F. Colclough, Jr.
President

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SEP 19 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Trip to Washington, D. C. - September 4 to 7

I had no particular mission in Washington with respect to Viet-Nam but I did call on the Ambassador again. We had a fine conversation and he expressed a keen interest in seeing the notes we are making for the bank. I invited him to visit our plant this fall to witness first hand the preparation of some of the Viet-Nam notes. I explained that we would be printing for several weeks. He said that he would look forward to such a visit and asked that I get in touch with him again later.

At ICA, through Mr. Thomas McCormick's error in momentarily confusing us with the Security Bank Note Company, I learned that Security had received an order for 100,000,000 notes in Viet-Nam and that 40,000,000 of them would be shipped to Saigon by air freight, beginning almost immediately. Mr. McCormick knew nothing about the type of note Security was printing and explained that actually ICA and Washington had taken little interest in whether the notes were lithographed or steel engraved and intaglio printed. He said that these details were of much more interest to the ICA missions abroad.

When I asked Mr. McCormick whether the Security Bank Note shipments were going to be made by U. S. or commercial carriers, he replied that the carrier would be commercial and that ICA was merely providing the funds and making the necessary arrangements with Pan American Airways.

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

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W. F. C.
SEP 19 1955

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SEP 23 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM
Re: Shipments By Air Freight.
Dead-Line for Last Air Shipment Nov. 9th.

Saigon to New York
September 15 1955

A. L. S.
SEP 20 1955

Rec'd 9/21/55
JWB

Thy Bennett

This confirms my letters of September 14th and 15th addressed to Banque Nationale. The final air freight instructions agreed to by the Governor and signed by him are covered by my letter of the 15th which is attached.

You will note November Ninth is Banvinas Deadline for the last air shipment. Please see that your last shipment by air leaves New York on or before that date.

It is of course understood you will ship by air on October 13 and 26th. You need not wait the 13 days between the 13th and 26th to ship. If you have a worthwhile quantity available during that period please send it forward by air. The notes are urgently needed.

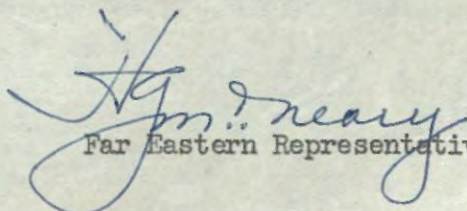
I told the Governor several times and again on page 2 of my letter dated September 15th explained, that your revised schedule represented an all-out effort in order words the best you can do.

I also may it clear that you could not forecast at this time, whether or not you could ship by air any additional 100 denomination notes on or before NOVEMBER NINTH, but, you would if it was at all possible.

The importance of notifying the NCB about the air shipments was repeated to the Governor a number of times and also is mentioned in my letters of September 14th and 15th. He assured me the NCB would be instructed by letter at once.

I understand the funds to pay the extra cost of air freight will be from Banvinas own account. not ICA funds.

The Governor loaned me his die-proofs to show John G. Dean and Frank W. Schiff, both praised the work, but thought the man driving the tractor looked more like a mid-west USA farmer. Dean asked to be remembered to Mr Schomp.


Far Eastern Representative.

This copy is for the
American Bank Note Company
New York. NY. USA.

REC'D WITH HCM-N 9/15/55
LETTER

Rec'd receipt
7 days before TO
HCM-N 9/21/55
SWB

Saigon
September 15 1955

H.E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon.

FILING
SEP 23 1955

Re: Shipments by Air Freight from New York to Saigon
Covered by my Letters of September 9th and 14th.

Excellency:

My letter of September 9th gave details of New York's improved revised schedule showing quantities and dates shipments would be ready to leave New York, and asking for your instructions as to method of transport. I will repeat the figures here for your easy reference.

<u>100 Denomination</u>	<u>Dates Ready to Ship</u>	<u>500 Denomination.</u>
300,000 notes	October 13	200,000
500,000 notes	October 26	300,000
1,500,000 notes	November 9	500,000
2,500,000 notes	November 23	1,000,000
7,000,000 notes	Monthly thereafter	2,000,000

Our conversation, the afternoon of September 14th, resulted in your decision to have the above first three shipments consisting of 2,300,000 notes of the 100 denomination and 1,000,000 notes of the 500 denomination shipped by air freight from New York to Saigon. The cost of air freight for the total of 3,300,000 notes would be about US\$16,690.00. The charge is figured as follows.

2,300,000 notes	100 Denomination @ \$4.70 per thousand	\$10,810.00
1,000,000 notes	500 Denomination @ \$5.88 per thousand	\$ 5,880.00
		<u>\$16,690.00</u>

It was also decided, that if it was possible for the Company to increase the quantity of the 100 denomination, by an additional 1,500,000 notes or any part thereof, you would like, that quantity whatever it might be also shipped by air freight. Provided, the additional notes leave New York on or before November 9th. To facilitate this arrangement you will increase the letter of credit furnished us through the First National City Bank of New York by \$24,000.00 -

When advising the First National City Bank of New York of the details it would be well to say; that you confirm the air shipment of any quantity of notes up to 4,800,000 and increase the amount of the credit by US\$24,000.00

This copy is for the
American Bank Note Company
New York, NY, USA.

H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Saigon
September 15, 1955

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After our conversation I telegraphed New York your instructions, my cable reads as follows.

"Referring to your telegram of September 8th and 13th Banvina authorized first three shipments both denominations be made air freight from New York to Saigon making a total threemillion threehundred thousand notes calculated air freight about 16,690 dollars however Banvina will increase First National City Banks letter of credit by twentyfour thousand dollars which will provide for an additional one million and half 100 denomination in event and provided you can ship all or part of additional quantity on or before November ninth which is Banvina's deadline for air shipments your every effort is requested".
McNeary.

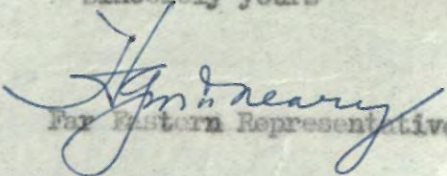
As recently as September 9th New York telegraphed their improved revised schedule to meet, as far as possible, your request for earlier shipments. At that time they said, the new schedule represented an all-out effort. So it is too early to expect them to again forecast any definite additional quantity which they can ship on or before November ninth. But, you can be assured the American Bank Note Company will make every effort to increase the quantity of notes to be shipped if it is at all possible to do so. They will telegraph you of any such increase as soon as they know what can definitely be done.

I would urge you to presently instruct the First National City Bank of New York about the air shipments, so there will not be a delay in shipping. Their letter of credit up to now permits ONLY shipments by sea from New York to Saigon.

Please be assured of our fullest cooperation for we are also anxious to have you circulate our notes so that you may have actual experience with their excellent quality.

With assurances of our highest consideration,

Sincerely yours


Far Eastern Representative.

The above shipping by air freight
from New York to Saigon meets with my approval


Governor - Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

TÉLÉGRAMME

VOIE T.S.F.

CENTRE RADIOÉLECTRIQUE DE SAIGON

exploité par

TÉLÉVIETNAM

445 15/9 NVT 0 0700

REC'D WITH *HCMcN* LETTER *9/15/55*

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MCNEARY CARE BANVINA
SAIGON

FILED
SEP 23 1955



*Received
Sept 15 - 11 AM*

DEPARTURE FRIDAY APPROVED +



AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

September 16, 1955 *File*

Order Department

FILING
SEP 21 1955

Order Entered
By <i>gllh</i>
No. <i>F13692, F13693</i>
Date <i>9/21/55</i>

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Orders F13692/3

Please cancel note on the above orders reading,
"Cremation of press room spoils can be accomplished as usual
but overs and spoils from Finishing Dept. are to be cancelled
but not cremated pending further instructions, as a represen-
tative of the Bank is to be present when this is done", and
substitute the following:

"On these orders no work is to be cremated until the
representative of the Bank is present and authorizes
cremation of same. These instructions include
cancelled press spoils and cancelled O.K. sheets
(of plates cracked in process)".

Reference: Mr. Foote's memo of September 14, 1955.

Manay M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

JJG:sg

CP
C. S. W.
SEP 19 1955

ETAT DU VIET-NAM

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N^o 298/c/BN

OBJET :

✓
Ack'd
9/21/55
TWB
Saigon le 16 Septembre 1955

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

A Monsieur LE PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANK NOTE

COMPANY,

70, Broad Street,

NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.

FILING
SEP 23 1955

Monsieur le Président,

4 photos jointes.

Faisant suite à ma lettre N^o 259-c/BN
du 8 Septembre 1955, j'ai l'honneur de vous faire
retour ci-joint des 4 photos des maquettes des
billets de 100 piastres et 500 piastres qui viennent
d'être retrouvées dans les archives de mes Services.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur le Président,
l'assurance de ma haute considération./.



VŨ-QUỐC-THÚC

Trans.:

Further to my letter No. 259-c/BN of Sept. 8, 1955, I have
the honor to return herewith 4 photographs of the models of the notes of
100 piastres and 500 piastres which have just been located in the files

Copie pour information of my Services.

Pls. accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my high consideration.

M. Mc NEARY.

Oriental Hôtel

BANGKOK

Encls.: 4 photos

cc: Mr. McNeary, Bangkok

rec 9/22 (ED)

29. Dept.
photo file.

STATE DEPT. OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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SEP 20 1955
A.B.N.CO.
FOREIGN DEPT.
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9/21/55

Vietnam FILING

OCT - 6 1955

Mr. Allen, Lixx Kat
City, Laos & phoned that
Cable from Government
of Lixx Kat, de Vietnam
addressed to me reads:

" Please note that
for air transportation
\$800.000 bank note
transfer credit 14,000. -
in process."

Mr. Allen will confirm
by letter to me & will
increase credit when
letter arrives from
Saigon.

E. J.

Vietnam

9/21/55
FILING
OCT - 6 1955

Mr. Allen, First Nat. City
Says cable received
today from Governor of
Langue Nat. de Vietnam
stating that he has
authorized A.C.N. Co.
to make air shipment
of bank notes before
Nov. 9, & that he is
writing letter authorizing
\$4,000 - in case of
Letter of Credit. Cable is
dated Sept. 21.

Mr. Allen will confirm
by letter to us.

L.H.

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

File
FILING
SEP 22 1955

Order Department

September 21, 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
F13692/3 - 100 and 500 piastres notes

Order Entered
By <i>Euk</i>
No. <i>F13692/93</i>
Date <i>9/23/55</i>
<i>c/s 77075</i>

With respect to the 1000 specimens of each denomination to be furnished customer per c/s A76636, please instruct the Plant that they are to be cancelled as usual with small holes through the signature, but instead of being imprinted with the word, "Specimen", they are to be imprinted with the words, "Giay Mau", including accents as per copy herewith, in two places on both face and back. Size of lettering and position of imprinting to be as large and prominent as feasible. Show proof for approval before imprinting. Imprinting to be in red on 100 face and back and 500 face; in blue on 500 back.

Above in accordance with Bank's letter of September 8, 1955, as amended by H. G. McNeary letter of September 10, 1955.

Also note the following additional shipping instructions pursuant to the Bank's endorsement of acceptance on copy of H. G. McNeary letter September 15, 1955:

The first 2,300,000 notes of 100 piastres and 1,000,000 notes of 500 piastres, plus as many more 100's up to 1,500,000 as can be shipped on or before November 9th, are to be packed in corrugated board and waterproof paper packages in the same manner as has been done with Brazil and Venezuela notes, each package to contain 20,000 notes. These notes are to be shipped by air cargo, marked and consigned in the same way as subsequent cases per instructions already on order.

The above quantities by air are to be shipped no later than the following dates as promised by the Plant:

	<u>100's</u>	<u>500's</u>
Oct. 13th	300,000	200,000
Oct. 26th	500,000	300,000
Nov. 9th	1,500,000 (plus ?)	500,000

However, if partial quantities can be made ready for shipment earlier or more frequently than the above dates, it would be desirable to ship them accordingly.

JWB:ed

[Signature]
Asst. Manager Foreign Department

C. S. W.
SEP 22 1955

October 1, 1934

October 1, 1934

Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to your letter of September 27, 1934.

The enclosed herewith is a copy of the report of the
Committee on the subject of the proposed amendment to the
Federal Reserve Act, which was adopted by the Committee
on September 11, 1934. The report is being submitted to
you for your information and for your consideration.
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Very respectfully,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. A. P. Marcavage
Manager of the Engraving Division
Bronx Plant

FILING September 21, 1955
SEP 23 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
F13692/3 - 100 and 500 piastres notes

Herewith duplicate set of die proofs, 1 each face and back of above denominations, bearing the approval of the Governor of the Bank. They were received with his letter of September 8, 1955. Will you please have them placed and held with the other approvals on these orders.

As previously advised, the third set of proofs submitted has been retained by the Bank for its records.

We are also returning proofs of our "Specimen" note die, 2 each of the face in Black and 8 Blue and 2 each of the back in 1 Green and 64 Orange, which we received from you about July 15th. The third set submitted at that time has been held by the Bank.

Enclosures
JWB:ed

Asst. Manager Foreign Department

File

JWB:ed

cc: Mr. McNeary - GPO Box 733, Hong Kong

Air Mail
September 21, 1955

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81 Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

FILING
SEP 23 1955

Excellency:

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We acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 16th and
of the four photographs of models of your 100 and 500 piastres notes which
you enclosed therewith. Thank you for returning them to us.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Asst. Manager Foreign Department

File

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

FILED
SEP 23 1955

Air Mail
September 21, 1955

Mr. H.G. McNeary
G.P.O. Box 733
Hong Kong, China

Dear Mr. McNeary:

We acknowledge receipt of your letters of September 7th, 10th (3), 11th and 15th with enclosures, your cable of the 14th and copies of your letters to the Bank of the 9th, 10th, 14th and 15th.

Specimens:

Thanks for the corrected version of the Vietnamese equivalent of the word "Specimen". The specimens to be furnished the Bank will be imprinted accordingly, in two places on both faces and backs.

Air Shipments:

Your instructions, as confirmed by the Governor's endorsement on copy of your letter to him of the 15th, are explicit and will have our attention. As you have assured the Bank, every effort will be made as the work progresses to increase the quantity of 100's to be air shipped by November 9th.

As yet The First National City Bank has not received instructions concerning the air shipments, but we trust these will be forthcoming shortly.

Die Proofs, etc.:

The set of die proofs approved by the Governor has been received, as you know. We were pleased to have your advice that they were well received by the Bank.

From our letter of today to the Governor you will see that he located and returned to us the 4 photographs of models referred to in your letter to him of September 10th. Thus nothing is outstanding but the set of die proofs of the actual notes, which they will retain, and the set of "Specimen" proofs submitted for color with your letter of July 21st, which we understand the Bank will also retain for its records.

Steamers New York to Saigon:

In response to the last paragraph of your letter of the 10th, sailings are irregular. Several lines operate direct service to Saigon with various intervening ports of call. Those with the generally best elapsed time, of about 50 to 55 days, and which we shall probably use most, are:

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FILING
SEP 23 1955

Sept. 21, 1955

Mr. H. G. McNeary
Hong-Kong

Maersk Line - 2 sailings per month about the middle and the end.
Isthmian Line - 1 sailing per month, about the 20th.
De la Rama Lines - 1 sailing per month, about the 25th.

Actual routing will depend, of course, upon the next available steamer having the best expected arrival time as each consignment is ready.

Sailings of other lines, as well as some of those of the above lines, follow a more roundabout itinerary via Japan, etc., and hence are not practicable to use.

Again thanks for your expeditious settling of these last details.

Very truly yours,

JWB:ed

Asst. Manager Foreign Department

P. S. During a recent visit to Washington we invited the Vietnamese Ambassador to visit our Plant to witness the preparation of these notes. He expressed interest and we are looking forward to an opportunity when he may be free to do so.

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

SUBJECT:

Viet Nam Notes - Deliveries

W. F. C. 9/21/55
SEP 22 1955

Mr. W. F. Colclough Jr., President

FILING

SEP 30 1955

For convenience you might like to have
at hand deliveries on above as promised
by the Client, viz: - (as given you by
Mr. Footh 9/8/55)

<u>Date</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>500's</u>
Oct. 13	300,000	200,000
" 26	500,000	300,000
Nov. 9	1,500,000	500,000
" 23	2,500,000	1,000,000
Dec 7	3,500,000	1,000,000

and continuing
until completion July 3, 1956

Jan. 18, 1956

Per Bank's instructions, 1st three shipments
to be by air, plus as many more 100's
(up to 1,500,000) as can be dispatched by Nov. 9
which is deadline for air shipments.

J.W.C.

ETAT DU VIET-NAM

Saigon, le 16 Septembre 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

N° 298/c /BN

LE GOUVERNEUR DE LA BANQUE NATIONALE
DU VIET-NAM,

A Monsieur LE PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANK NOTE
TO THE PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.,
COMPANY,

70, Broad Street,

NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.

FILING
SEP 28 1955

J. W. B.
SEP 28 1955

M. M. W.
SEP 28 1955

Dear Mr. President

Monsieur le Président,

Reference to my letter N° 259-c/BN

Faisant suite à ma lettre N° 259-c/BN
dated 8th September 1955, I have the honor to send you back,
du 8 Septembre 1955, j'ai l'honneur de vous faire
please find herewith the 4 photos of Bank note of 100 piastres and
retour ci-joint des 4 photos des maquettes des
500 piastres each that will be seen shortly in my
billets de 100 piastres et 500 piastres qui viennent
Services.
d'être retrouvées dans les archives de mes Services.

4 photos jointes.

4 PHOTOS ATTACHED

Yours very truly,

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président,

l'assurance de ma haute considération./.

Bangkok September 22 1955

VŨ-QUỐC-THÚC

Regarding outstanding photographs.

Refer to my letter of Sept 10th 1955 to the Governor of
the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam - it would appear that
all outstanding photographs of 100 and 500 denomination
models have now been returned to you.-

Information copy sent to

Copie pour information à :

To M. Mc NEARY.

Oriental Hôtel

BANGKOK

Harvey
Far Eastern Representative.

The National City Bank of New York

ESTABLISHED 1812

TRUST AFFILIATE
CITY BANK FARMERS TRUST COMPANY

CABLE ADDRESS "CITIBANK"

55 Wall Street, New York 15, N.Y.

September 23, 1955

IN REPLYING PLEASE QUOTE CCF-CHA

American Bank Note Company
70 Broad Street
New York 4, New York

Gentlemen:

Attention: Mr. Page

Re: Our CCF 66638

As we advised you on the telephone yesterday, we have received the following unauthenticated cables from the Governor of Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, Saigon, Viet Nam:

Cable addressed to you care of ourselves; reads as follows:

"PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR AIR TRANSPORTION 4,800,000 BANK NOTES TRANSFER CREDIT 24,000 DOLLARS IN PROCESS SALUTATIONS

VU QUOC THUC"

Cable addressed to ourselves; reads as follows:

"PLEASE NOTE THAT I HAVE REQUESTED AMERICAN BANK NOTE TO SHIP BY AIR TO SAIGON 3,800,000 NOTES 100 PIASTERS AND 1,000,000 NOTES 500 PIASTERS BEFORE NOVEMBER 9, 1955 STOP TOTAL AIRMAIL COSTS AMOUNT TO APPROXIMATELY 24,000 US DOLLARS CHARGEABLE BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIETNAM STOP NEEFUL WILL BE DONE BY BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET NAM TO FORWARD TO YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE CREDIT COVERING THIS FREIGHT STOP LETTER FOLLOWS STOP SALUTATIONS

VU QUOC THUC"

The above messages are transmitted to you for your information and without any engagement on our part. When we receive further details by mail regarding this matter we shall immediately contact you.

very truly yours,

THE FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK

Assistant Cashier

W. F. C.
SEP 26 1955

FILING
OCT - 6 1955

E. F. P.
SEP 23 1955 L. S.
SEP 23 1955

J. W. B.
SEP 23 1955

M. M. W.
SEP 27 1955

CONFIDENTIAL

TRANSLATION

State of Viet-Nam

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

No. (?) 405/c/BN

FILING

OCT 10 1955

The Governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam,

to The President of the American Bank Note Company
70 Broad Street,
New York 4, N. Y.

Mr. President:

Referring to my preceding orders for notes of 100 and 500 piastres for the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, I have the honor to inform you that I propose to give you a supplementary order for 20,000,000 notes of 100 piastres, utilizing the model already adopted for this denomination.

I should be obliged if you would be good enough to inform me as rapidly as possible of the price and delivery time on this supplementary order. I wish this delivery time to be as short as possible.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my high consideration.

(Sgd.) (illegible)

VU-QUOC-THUC

(Here appears a stamped seal reading:

State of Viet-Nam

The Governor

Banque Nationale)

(ED)

*advised WTC by
Telephone -*

*6-3
10/3/55*

per 10/12

*Mr. C. Schumpert
OCT -3 1955
Mr. Wise*

Saigon, September 29, 1955
A. L. S. Ack'd 10-7-55 JWB
M. M. W.
OCT -3 1955

Mr. Wise

ETAT DU VIET-NAM

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N° 1057/BN

OBJET :

CONFIDENTIEL

Saigon le 29 Septembre 1955

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam.

A Monsieur Le PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANKNOTE
COMPANY,
70, Broad Street,

NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.

FILING
OCT 10 1955

Monsieur le Président,

Me référant à mes précédentes commandes de billets de 100 et 500 piastres pour la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam, j'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaître que je me propose de vous passer une commande supplémentaire de 20.000.000 billets de 100 piastres, en utilisant la maquette déjà adoptée pour cette dénomination.

Je vous serais obligé de bien vouloir me faire savoir, le plus rapidement possible, le prix et les délais de livraison de cette commande supplémentaire. Je souhaite que ces délais soient abrégés dans la mesure du possible.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma haute considération./.



VŨ-QUỐC-THÚC

The National City Bank of New York

ESTABLISHED 1812

CABLE ADDRESS "CITIBANK"

55 Wall Street, New York 15, N.Y.

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
70 BROAD STREET
NEW YORK 4, NEW YORK

DATE SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

WHEN COMMUNICATING WITH US
PLEASE MENTION OUR REFERENCE CCF

66638

DEAR SIR:

AS INSTRUCTED BY BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIETNAM, SAIGON, VIETNAM

WE HAVE AMENDED THE CONFIRMED IRREVOCABLE CREDIT ISSUED IN YOUR FAVOR

WITH OUR ADVICE OF AUG 16/55 FOR ACCOUNT OF BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

AS FOLLOWS:

4,800,000 BANK NOTES TO BE SHIPPED BY AIR FROM NEW YORK TO SAIGON AS FOLLOWS:

DATE OF SHIPMENT IN NEW YORK	DENOMINATIONS OF \$100	DENOMINATIONS OF \$500
OCTOBER 13, 1955	300.000 BANKNOTES	200.000 BANKNOTES
OCTOBER 26, 1955	500.000 "	300.000 "
NOVEMBER 9, 1955	1.500.000 "	500.000 "
BEFORE OR ON NOVEMBER 9, 1955	1.500.000 "	
	3,800.000 BANKNOTES	1.000.000 BANKNOTES

TO COVER THE EXPENSES FOR TRANSPORTATION BY AIR OF THE ABOVE SHIPMENTS
WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO PAY YOU THE AMOUNT OF ABOUT \$24,000.- IN ADDITION
TO THE CIF SAIGON PRICE.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED.

KINDLY CONFIRM TO US THAT THIS AMENDMENT IS ACCEPTABLE TO YOU.

YOURS VERY TRULY,

THE FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK

ASSISTANT CASHIER

C

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
20 BROAD STREET
NEW YORK 11, NEW YORK

SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

CAHIER NATIONAL DE VIETNAM, SAIGON, VIETNAM



SEP 30 1955

A.B.N.C.O.

DATE OF SHIPMENT
IN NEW YORK
OCTOBER 12, 1955
OCTOBER 20, 1955
NOVEMBER 2, 1955
BEFORE OR ON
NOVEMBER 2, 1955

DENOMINATIONS OF
1000
300,000 BANKNOTES
700,000
1,700,000
1,700,000

DENOMINATIONS OF
1000
300,000 BANKNOTES
200,000
200,000
200,000
1,000,000 BANKNOTES

TO COVER THE EXPENSES FOR TRANSPORTATION BY AIR OF THE ABOVE SHIPMENTS
WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO PAY YOURS AMOUNT OF ABOUT \$21,000.00 - IN ADDITION
TO THE CIF SAIGON PRICE.

JWB:ed

On envelope: Att.: Mr. C. H. Allen,
Commercial Credit - Foreign

Sent by hand

FILED
OCT -4 1955

October 3, 1955

Your reference CCF 66638

The First National City Bank of New York
55 Wall Street
New York 15, N. Y.

Gentlemen: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

We acknowledge receipt of your advice of September 30th
amending the credit issued in our favor.

The amendment is acceptable to us with the understanding that the air shipments may be made in whole or in part in advance of the dates mentioned and that the total quantity specified for air shipment represents a maximum and not necessarily the actual quantity to be shipped by that means. We have undertaken to air ship the first three lots by the dates specified and as many of the fourth lot as we may be able to complete by November 9th.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Treasurer

File

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

REQUEST FOR ESTIMATE

Date **Oct. 3, 1955**
JWB:ed

Name **Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam**

Country

Description **Bank Notes - reprint**

Style — Face

Tint

Back

Quantity — Denomination

20,000,000 notes - 100 Piastres

FILING
MAY 16 1956

E. F. P.
OCT - 5 1955

Engraving

Previous Order Number **F13692**

Work Size

Kind of Paper

Overall Size

Perforating

Numbering

Number on Delivered

Gumming

Binding

Special Operations

Previous Orders

Cost Card No.

QUOTATION

Date

10/5/55

Price Quoted Customer

\$175,000.

A/C to come

Revised 11/3/56

Abandoned

Commission (if any) included

% To

Approved

per JWB
5/16/56

The National City Bank of New York

ESTABLISHED 1812

TRUST AFFILIATE
CITY BANK FARMERS TRUST COMPANY

CABLE ADDRESS "CITIBANK"

55 Wall Street, New York 15, N.Y.
FILING
OCT - 6 1955

October 4, 1955

IN REPLYING PLEASE QUOTE CCF:CHA

American Bank Note Company
70 Broad Street
New York, 4, New York

*Banque Nationale
du Viet-Nam*

E. F. P.
OCT - 5 1955
M. M. W.
OCT - 5 1955

Gentlemen: Attention: Mr. Edward F. Page, Treasurer

Re: Our CCF 66638

We refer to your letter of October 3, 1955 with reference to the amendment to the captioned credit which we sent to you on September 30, 1955.

This will confirm our today's telephone conversation in which we indicated our agreement to the interpretation of the amendment as indicated in your letter.

Very truly yours,
THE FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK

[Signature]
Assistant Cashier

J. W. B.
OCT - 5 1955

Saigon 4th October 1955

FILED

Dear Mr. McNeary NOV 14 1955

Recd. -
OCT 8 - 1955

NOTHING FOR FILING

I have received your letter of the 24th September and many thanks for the same. I suppose you are still in Hongkong but I send also a copy of this letter to Manila.

I am glad to know you will soon make a short trip to see your family. Please convey all my best regards to Madame McNeary, don't forget it. As you know I am here for some time more and I will be glad to hear something from you from time to time in order to know where you are. If any change happened to me I shall not fail to inform you.

About Bill nothing is astonishing for me. He is here from yesterday coming from Hongkong. By the way the exact amount for his 100 millions notes is 378.000 U.S. \$ F.O.B. Philadelphia and any partial shipment will be charge at the average rate of 3.78 U.S. \$ per 1.000 notes. Freight and Insurance for air shipments are U.S. \$ 3.15 per 1.000 bills of 1, 2 and 5 \$ - U.S. \$ 4.88 per 1.000 bills of 200 \$. Freight and insurance for shipments by sea are U.S. \$ 0.207 per 1.000 bills of 1, 2, 5 \$ and (4.88) U.S. \$ per 1.000 bills of 200 \$.

No more news for my letter.

With all my best regards
Sincerely

Gilbert

pre 11/10

check name notes

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FB3855

MSD1245

HM599 HONGKONG 38 7 2224

MCNEARY BANKNOTE NEWYORK

CABLE FROM SAIGON DATED SEVENTH QUOTE GOUVERNEUR BAMBINA

A MONSIEUR MCNEARY HONGKONG NO 292 HONEUR VOUS FAIRE

CONNAITRE QUE DESIRE VOUS RENCONTRER A SAIGON LE PLUS

TOT POSSIBLE STOP ^{TIEN}CONSIDERABLE DISTINGUEE VUQUOCTHUC

UNQUOTE REGARDS FRED

Trans. of French quote:

"Governor Banvina to Mr. McNeary Hongkong No. 292 Honor
to inform you that I desire meet you Saigon as soon as
possible stop Distinguished consideration."

CFM HM599 MCNEARY BANKNOTE NYK 292

AAU

FILING
OCT 10 1955

P 698-7

1955 OCT 10

Wired Governor
Via - 2nd - 10-7-55
SWB

Banque Nationale
Ban Viet-Nam

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cc for Mr. McNeary, NYC
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October 7, 1955

Your Reference No.
405/c/BN

CONFIDENTIAL

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81, Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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OCT 10 1955

Sir:

✓ Please accept my sincere thanks for your kind letter of September 29th relative to a new order for 20,000,000 notes of 100 piastres. For this quantity, to be in all respects the same as the 100 piastres notes we are now preparing, except for the numbering, which will be consecutive thereto, we shall be pleased to maintain our previous price of US\$8.75 per thousand notes, or a total of US\$175,000.00, under the same terms and conditions as for the current order.

With respect to delivery, if authorization to proceed is received in the near future, we shall undertake to deliver these notes immediately following those of the current order, maintaining the same average of 7,000,000 notes per month until completion, which we trust will be satisfactory to you.

At about the time you receive this letter the first shipment of your current order will be en route to you. I am confident that you will be well pleased with them in all respects, including security, appearance and wearing quality.

With assurances of my distinguished consideration and my pleasure at being able to cooperate with you in meeting your requirements, I am

Very truly yours,

President

see 10/13

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TRANSLATION

State of Viet-Nam
BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM
Saigon (etc.)
No. 433/c/BN

Saigon, October 8, 1955

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OCT 17 1955

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Ack.
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The Governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
to the President of the American Bank Note Company
70 Broad Street,
New York

J. W. B.
OCT 13 1955

Mr. President:

With a view to facilitating the work of the agents of the Banque Nationale du Vietnam charged with receiving the cases of bank notes, I have the honor to request you to be good enough to precede each shipment of notes with the sending, in four original copies for each denomination, of a schedule which we should appreciate your setting up in line with the enclosed form.

Please be good enough to give all appropriate instructions so that this schedule may be sent, by the fastest route, so that it will arrive at the Banque Nationale du Vietnam before the corresponding shipment reaches there.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my high consideration.

(Sgd.) VU-QUOC-THUC

(Here appears a stamped seal
reading:

State of Viet-Nam
The Governor
Banque Nationale)

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ETAT DU VIET-NAM

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N° 433/c /BN

OBJET :

URGENT
CONFIDENTIEL

Saigon le 8 Octobre 1955

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

A Monsieur LE PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANKNOTE
COMPANY,

70, Broad Street,

NEW YORK

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OCT 17 1955

Monsieur le Président,

En vue de faciliter le travail des agents de la Banque Nationale du Vietnam chargés de réceptionner, les caisses de billets de banque, j'ai l'honneur de vous prier de bien vouloir faire précéder chaque expédition de billets de l'envoi, en quatre exemplaires originaux pour chaque dénomination, d'un bordereau que vous voudrez bien faire établir suivant le modèle ci-joint.

1 pièce jointe.

Je vous prie de bien vouloir donner toutes instructions utiles pour que ce bordereau soit envoyé, par la voie la plus rapide, de façon à ce qu'il parvienne à la Banque Nationale du Vietnam avant l'arrivée du chargement correspondant.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma haute considération./.



Vũ Quốc Thúc

SCHEDULE OF DETAIL OF BANK NOTES MAKING UP
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THE SHIPMENT

REC'D *Aug 17 1955* LETTER 10-8-55

of (date) by (ship or airplane)
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Numéros des caisses Nos. of the cases	Dénomination Denomination	Nombre de coupures Number of notes	Série Series	Numérotation Numbering	Observations
	<u>Exemple</u> <u>Example</u>				
1	1 piastre	50.000	A ₁	000.00I à 50.000	
2	"	"	A ₁	50.00I à 100.000	
3	"	"	A ₁	100.00I à 150.000	
4	"	"	A ₁	150.00I à 200.000	
5	"	"	A ₁	200.00I à 250.000	

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AMERICAN BANKNOTE COMPANY,

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OCT 13 1955

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Mr. Becker
Pls advise
McNeary.

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OCT 10 1955

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No. 317 S Your telegram 7 October stop Consider at present your
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American Bank Note Company
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OFFICE OF THE MANAGER
BRONX PLANT

October 10, 1955

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Mr. Murray M. Wise
Manager, Foreign Dept.

J. W. B.
OCT 11 1955

Re: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam - F 13693

We list below delivery dates and quantities for 6,000,000
500 Piastres notes on the above order which we trust you will find
acceptable.

Oct. 13, 1955	200,000
26,	300,000
Nov. 9,	500,000
23,	1,000,000
Dec. 7,	1,000,000
21,	1,000,000
Jan. 4, 1956	1,000,000
18,	1,000,000
	6,000,000

3,500,000

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C. P. Footh, Jr.
Manager

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OFFICE OF THE MANAGER
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October 10, 1955

Mr. Murray M. Wise
 Manager, Foreign Dept.

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J. W. B.
 OCT 11 1955

Re: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam - F 13692

We list below delivery dates and quantities for 60,000,000
 100 Piastres notes on the above order which we trust you will find
 acceptable.

Oct. 13, 1955	300,000		
26,	500,000		
Nov. 9,	1,500,000		
23,	2,500,000		
Dec. 7,	3,500,000		
21,	3,500,000		
Jan. 4, 1956	3,500,000		
18,	3,500,000		
Feb. 1,	3,500,000		
15,	3,500,000		
29,	3,500,000		
Mar. 14,	3,500,000		
28,	3,500,000		
Apr. 11,	3,500,000		
25,	3,500,000		
May 9,	3,500,000		
23,	3,500,000		
June 6,	3,500,000		
20,	3,500,000		
July 3,	2,700,000		
17			
31	60,000,000		
		25,800,000 but, actually shipped 26,500,000	
		v - 25 3/7	3,500,000
		v - 3/20	2,500,000
		3 - 4/7	3,500,000
		3 - 4/20	4,500,000
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C. P. Footh, Jr.
 Manager

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State of Viet-Nam

CONFIDENTIAL

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM
79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

Saigon, October 12, 1955

Subject:
Printing of bank notes

The Governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
to the President of the American Bank Note Co.,
70 Broad Street,
New York

M. M. W.
A. L. S.
OCT 17 1955
OCT 17 1955

Mr. President,

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I have the honor to inform you that the Banque Nationale du Vietnam contemplates a new order for bank notes, to be placed in the U.S.A., in the following denominations: 1\$, 2\$, 5\$, 10\$, 20\$, 50\$, 100\$, 200\$, and 500\$.

* As regards the 100\$ denomination, I take the liberty of reminding you of my letter No. 405-C/BN of September 29, 1955, copy attached, to which to date there has been no reply.

I wish to add that I contemplate, likewise in the same conditions, a supplementary order in 500\$ denomination for 2 million notes.

I should appreciate your being good enough to send me your proposals concerning these two denominations.

As regards the other denominations, please be good enough to inform me of your prices CIF, as well as your other terms, taking into account the following indications:

1\$, 2\$ and 5\$ Denominations1st - Quantity:

1\$		60 million notes
2\$	.....	40 " "
5\$	.....	100 " "

2nd - Dimensions:

1\$	.....	65 m/m x 115 m/m
2\$	.....	65 m/m x 120 m/m
5\$	.....	65 m/m x 125 m/m

$2 \frac{9}{16} \times 4 \frac{17}{32}$
 $2 \frac{9}{16} \times 4 \frac{13}{32}$
 $2 \frac{9}{16} \times 4 \frac{15}{16}$

3rd - Printing: 2 faces litho - color4th - Paper: so-called "planchette" paper.

per 12/2

Numbering

100 - 155.6 + 66.7
5 - 168.3 + 76.2

Separate?

10% and 20% Denominations

1st - Quantity:

10% 50 million notes
20% 25 " "

2nd - Dimensions:

10% 65 m/m x 132 m/m - $2\frac{9}{16} \times 5\frac{3}{16}$
20% 65 m/m x 138 m/m - $2\frac{9}{16} \times 5\frac{2}{16}$

3rd - Printing:

- one face litho *color?*
- one face "dry engraving"

4th - Paper: so-called "planchette" paper.

50% and 200% Denominations

1st - Quantity:

(16 million notes
50% (or 20 " "

200% (15 million notes
(or 20 " "

2nd - Dimensions:

50% 65 m/m x 144 m/m $2\frac{9}{16} \times 5\frac{1}{32}$
200% 71 m/m x 162 m/m $2\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{8}$

3rd - Printing:

2 faces "dry engraving". - *same as 100% - 500%*

4th - Paper: so-called "planchette" paper.

I must point out that this consultation is made without commitment on my part. However, in view of our good relations, I do not doubt that you will send me your proposals as promptly as possible, for which I thank you sincerely in advance.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my high consideration.

(Sgd.) VU-QUOC-THUC

(Here appears a stamped seal reading:

State of Viet-Nam

The Governor

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)

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ETAT DU VIET-NAM

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N° 454/C/BN

OBJET :

Impression des billets
de banque.

CONFIDENTIEL

Saigon le 12 Octobre 1955

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

A Monsieur LE PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANKNOTE
COMPANY,
70, Broad Street,

W. F. C. NEW YORK

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Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaître que la Banque Nationale du Vietnam envisage une nouvelle commande de billets de banque, à passer aux U.S.A., dans les dénominations suivantes : 1\$, 2\$, 5\$, 10\$, 20\$, 50\$, 100\$, 200\$, et 500\$.

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En ce qui concerne la dénomination de 100\$, je me permets de vous rappeler ma lettre N° 405-C/BN du 29 Septembre 1955 dont ci-joint copie, restée sans réponse jusqu'à ce jour.

J'ajoute que j'envisage, également dans les mêmes conditions, une commande supplémentaire dans la dénomination de 500\$ pour 2 millions de coupures.

Je vous serais obligé de bien vouloir me faire parvenir vos propositions concernant ces deux dénominations.

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X X

En ce qui concerne les autres dénominations, je vous prie de bien vouloir me faire connaître vos prix CIF ainsi que vos autres conditions, compte tenu des indications ci-après :

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Dénominations de 1\$, 2\$ et 5\$.-

1°- Quantité :

1\$		60 millions de coupures
2\$		40 - - -
5\$		100 - - -

2°- Dimensions :

1\$	.....	65 ^m /m x 115 ^m /m
2\$	.....	65 ^m /m x 120 ^m /m
5\$	.....	65 ^m /m x 125 ^m /m

3°- Impression : 2 faces litho

4°- Papier : papier dit à "planchette".

Dénominations de 10\$ et 20\$.-

1°- Quantité :

10\$	.....	50 millions de coupures
20\$	.....	25 - - -

2°- Dimensions :

10\$	.....	65 ^m /m x 132 ^m /m
20\$	.....	65 ^m /m x 138 ^m /m

3°- Impression :

- une face litho
- une face gravure "dry engraving"

4°- Papier : papier dit à "planchette".

Dénominations de 50\$ et 200\$.-

1°- Quantité :

50\$	(	16 millions de coupures
	(	ou 20 - - -
200\$	(	15 millions de coupures
	(	ou 20 - - -

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2°- Dimensions :

50% 65^m/m x 144^m/m

200% 71^m/m x 162^m/m

3°- Impression :

2 faces gravure "dry engraving".

4°- Papier : papier dit à "planchette".

X
X X

Je crois devoir vous préciser que cette consultation s'entend sans engagement de ma part. Etant donné cependant nos bonnes relations, je ne doute pas que vous me fassiez parvenir vos propositions dans les meilleurs délais, ce dont je vous remercie sincèrement par avance.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président,
l'assurance de ma haute considération././. *hla*



VŨ-QUỐC-THÚC

ETAT DU VIET-NAM

RECEVU
Saigon, le 29 Septembre 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

N° 405/C/BN

COPIE

LE GOUVERNEUR DE LA BANQUE NATIONALE DU
VIET-NAM,

CONFIDENTIEL

A Monsieur LE PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANKNOTE

COMPANY,

70, Broad Street,

NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.

Monsieur le Président,

Me référant à mes précédentes commandes de billets de 100 et 500 piastres pour la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam, j'ai l'honneur de vous faire connaître que je me propose de vous passer une commande supplémentaire de 20.000.000 billets de 100 piastres, en utilisant la maquette déjà adoptée pour cette dénomination.

Je vous serais obligé de bien vouloir me faire savoir, le plus rapidement possible, le prix et les délais de livraison de cette commande supplémentaire. Je souhaite que ces délais soient abrégés dans la mesure du possible.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma haute considération./.

Signé VU-QUOC-THUC

Pour copie conforme

Saigon, le 12 octobre 1955

Le Chef du Bureau d'Ordre,



Copie à :

- M. M. NEARY.

October 13, 1955

M. VU-QUOC-THUC
GOVERNOR
BANVINA
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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Messrs. Schuchman & W...
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A.L.S.
OCT 18 1955

W.F.C.
OCT 18 1955

State of Viet-Nam

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

No. 469/c/BN

Saigon, October 13, 1955

Wrote 10-21-55

(mailed 10-24-55)

WFC

M. M. W.

OCT 18 1955

The Governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
to the President of the A. B.N.Co.,

70 Broad St., New York 4, N.Y.

FILING
OCT 25 1955

Mr. President,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 7th last.

Please refer to our letter No. 451/C/BN, which was sent you on October 12, 1955, on the subject of our consultation with a view to a more important order.

Your quotation as regards the notes of 100\$ seems to me to be a bit high, for I consider that, it being a matter of a supplementary order, you could, perhaps, have conceded us a reduction in price.

Awaiting a prompt reply to our aforementioned letter, I beg you to accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my high consideration.

(Sgd.) VU-QUOC-THUC

(Here appears a stamped seal reading:

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The Governor

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam")

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ETAT DU VIET-NAM

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Saigon le 13 Octobre 1955

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N° 469/c/BN

OBJET :

CONFIDENTIEL

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

*A Monsieur le Président de l'American Bank
Note Company, 70 Broad Street*

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OCT 25 1955

NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.

W. F. C.

OCT 18 1955

Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur de vous accuser réception de votre lettre en date du 7 Octobre dernier.

Je vous prie de vous référer à notre lettre n° 451/C/BN qui vous a été adressée le 12 Octobre 1955 au sujet de notre consultation en vue d'une commande plus importante.

Votre cotation, en ce qui concerne les billets de 100\$, me semble quelque peu élevée, car j'estime que, s'agissant d'une commande supplémentaire, vous auriez pu peut-être nous consentir une réduction du prix.

En attendant une prompte réponse à notre lettre susvisée, je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma haute considération././.



Vũ-Quốc-Thức

JMB:sg

Air Mail
October 14, 1955

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OCT 17 1955

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81 rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Sir:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 8th, No. 433/c/BN, which reached us after the first shipment had been dispatched.

Our "Shipping Invoice" details the information you have requested. A copy of it was sent you with our letter of yesterday, two accompanied the packages pursuant to requirements, and four were delivered to the First National City Bank of New York, pursuant to the terms of the letter of credit, for transmittal to you with the other documents specified.

However, in line with your request, you will find four more original copies of that document enclosed herewith. In the future we shall airmail these to you as much in advance of each shipment as possible.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Asst. Manager Foreign Department

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BANVINA (Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

October 17, 1955

Order Department

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By	<i>Elkh</i>
No.	<i>F13692, F13693</i>
Date	<i>10/18/55</i>

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
F13692/3 - 100 and 500 Piastres Notes

Please add to shipping instructions on above orders that shipping invoice in quadruplicate, marked "First original", "Second original", etc., is to be sent by air mail to the Banque as much in advance of each shipment as possible.

Reference: Banque's letter, October 8, 1955. ✓

Thuray M. Wise

Manager, Foreign Department

JWB:ed

C. S. W.
OCT 17 1955

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
70 BROAD STREET, NEW YORK 4

October 13, 1955

Mr. A. A. Wittnebel, Vice-President
Bronx Plant

Dear Mr. Wittnebel:

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You may take this as your authority to permit

Mr. Dang Ngoc Tran
Mr. Garland Bell

to enter the Bronx Plant during regular working hours

tomorrow, October 19th, about mid-morning

accompanied by our Messrs. A.L. Schomp, H.G. McHenry and
H.H. Wisco.

After signing the Visitors Book, the above-named
persons will proceed directly to your office.

President

Purpose of visit:

Viet-Nam - Bank Notes - General Visit

Mr. Dang Ngoc Tran is Second Secretary of the Embassy
of Viet-Nam and Mr. Bell is Chief of the Office of Plant
Security Control at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

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NAME AND ADDRESS

American Bank Note Co.
70 Broad St.

DATE

Oct. 21, 1955

TO

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc

Governor

BANVINA (Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)

Saigon (Viet-Nam)

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via RCA

SENDER PLEASE SPECIFY ROUTE:

INSERT "RCA"

Pleased to advise receipt your letter Oct. 12 stop With respect to
denominations 100 and 500 writing today As regards other denominations are
carefully studying and will reply soonest Greatly appreciate your confidence and
on our part assure you of our fullest cooperation.

W. F. Colclough, Jr.

President

BANKNOTE

MMW:ed

see 11/17
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cc: Mr. McNeary, NY

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October 21, 1955

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OCT 24 1955

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81, Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

Sir:

Pursuant to the request transmitted to us by our Mr. McNeary, we are returning herewith the two sketches, one in black and white and one in color, of a Phoenix, which sketches were sent us as an indication of what was desired on the back of your 100 piastres note.

Your acknowledgment of receipt will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Manager Foreign Department

Enclosures

File

WFC:ed
cc: Mr. McNeary, NY

DUPLICATE SENT

Air Mail
October 21, 1955

H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc
Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

FILING
OCT 25 1955

Excellency:

I have the pleasure to refer to your letters of October 12th, No. 451/c/BN, and October 13th, No. 469/c/BN. The former I have acknowledged today by cable reading as follows:

"Pleased to advise receipt your letter October 12 stop With respect to denominations 100 and 500 writing today As regards other denominations are carefully studying and will reply soonest Greatly appreciate your confidence and on our part assure you of our fullest cooperation".

With respect to denominations 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 200, we are giving your requirements our most thorough consideration and shall write you further within a few days concerning our proposals.

With regard to your comment, in your letter of October 13th, that our quotation for an additional quantity of 100\$ notes seems to you to be a little high, I feel sure you will understand that our unit cost of production is proportionately higher for this smaller quantity than for your original order of 60 million notes. I should also explain that, in the interests of cooperating fully with you, our original price did not fully reflect the engraving and other preparatory costs involved, since we contemplated absorbing part of such costs in subsequent reprint orders.

On this same basis, we shall be pleased to maintain our previous price of US\$12.25 per 1000 notes for your proposed new order of 2,000,000 500\$ notes, making a total of US\$24,500.00 C. I. F. Saigon, by ocean freight

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H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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October 21, 1955

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from New York, the other terms and conditions being the same as on your previous order.

I trust that you will find this entirely satisfactory, and that we shall in the near future receive your instructions to proceed with these orders.

We had the pleasure yesterday of receiving a visit from a representative of your distinguished Ambassador to Washington and of affording him an opportunity to observe at first hand our personnel, procedures and security measures. I believe he expects to report fully to you on this visit.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Very truly yours,

President

File

American Bank Note Company
Garrison Ave. & Tiffany St.
New York 59, N.Y.

Order Entered	
By	<i>Cal</i>
No.	<i>F13693</i>
Date	<i>10/25/55</i>

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Order Dept.

October 21, 1955

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M. M. W.

OCT 24 1955

Mr. M. M. Wise
Manager, Foreign Dept.

Re: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam - F 13693

Please have instructions entered on above order to transfer 1 - 21/on
500 Piastres bank note face plate A3, rotary for use on a future order.

LVB/AS

*ok agreed to buy
WSC
that
10/25/55*

W. C. S. W.
Production Manager

W. C. S. W.

OCT 24 1955

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

October 24, 1955

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OCT 25 1955

Memorandum for the Files

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Air Shipments by Pan American

On Thursday and Friday October 20th and 21st I telephoned Mr. John Sullivan and Mr. Frank Motola of Panamerican Airways, to urge the most meticulous attention to our air shipments currently being consigned to Saigon..I explained what we had heard with respect to the competitors' shipments and stated that we did not wish a similar incident with our notes. I said that as they knew, we gave a lot of business to Pan American and felt justified in requesting their maximum attention to the shipments of our important cargo.

In addition to the above, I asked these gentlemen if they would have their Saigon office report by cable the arrival of each of our shipments to Saigon with the statement of the conditions of the packages.

Both men were attentive, appreciated our concern and promised to comply with our request for cable notifications of the arrival of our shipments at Saigon.

Manay M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

File

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OCT 26 1955

Vietnam - Notes

1) Assured Mr. Foote
10/24

1,500,000
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2) Possibility of some-
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on 500 OCT 25 1955
J. W. B.

A. L. S.

OCT 24 1955

Admiral Foote not
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BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

October 25, 1955

F-13692	1	Cancelled specimen 100 Piastres Note
F-13693	1	" " 500 " "

(Requested by Mr. A. L. Schomp, Sr. - may be retained)

Send direct to me

MS. *Curran*

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
SHIPPING TICKET

TIT  BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

SHIP TO American Bank Note Co.

70 Broad St.

VIA

Att: Miss E. Reilly

ORDER NO. See below

CUST. NO. Broad St. Reg.

DATE 10/25/55

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OCT 25 1955

QUANTITY SHIPPED

DESCRIPTION

1 100 Piastres Note F 13692

1 500 " " F 13693

E. W. W.
OCT 25 1955

RETURNED

JUN - 7 1957

Cancelled Specimens

Rec'd
H.S.
10/26/55

RECORD AND SPECIMEN DEPT.

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PARTIAL SHIPMENT TO BE SENT TO
TRACING DEPT.

JWB:ed

cc: Mr. H.G. McNeary, NY

Air Mail
October 25, 1955

H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81, Rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

FILING
OCT 26 1955

Excellency:

As promised in our letter of September 15th, we have been making every effort to increase by 1,500,000 notes of 100 piastres the quantity we undertook to ship by air by November 9th. We are pleased to advise that our efforts are meeting with success and that we expect to comply with your request in that respect.

We have already shipped:

Oct. 13th - 300,000 - 100's and 200,000 - 500's -- 25 packages
Oct. 21st - 500,000 - 100's -- 25 packages

and are now completing arrangements with Pan American Airways for a third shipment to consist of:

800,000 - 100's and 300,000 - 500's -- 55 packages

Thereafter, and by November 9th, barring unforeseen circumstances, we shall make additional air shipments totaling:

2,200,000 - 100's and 500,000 - 500's -- 135 packages

As each air shipment goes forward we shall inform you by cable as heretofore. We are very pleased that favorable progress on your order has made possible this material improvement on our original undertaking, thus permitting us to fully meet your requirements.

After the above quantities are shipped by air, further shipments will

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H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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be made periodically by ocean freight as appropriate quantities are completed and vessels are available.

With assurances of our highest consideration,

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Asst. Manager Foreign Department

File

US Reviewing Aid Spending For S. Vietnam

UP Special Service to the Standard

SAIGON, Oct. 27 —(UP)— Dollar backed efforts to put South Vietnam on its feet were getting a careful review here this week by experts accompanying John B. Hollister, Director of the US International Cooperation Administration.

The 1955 programme here was costing the US some US\$323,000,000. Local experts believe the figure can be reduced somewhat in 1956, a crucial year for President Ngo Dinh Diem's government.

Aid spending here during the past months has gone essentially toward uniting training and equipping the national army for its task of restoring and preserving order in the south and of preparing to blunt any Communist drives that might signal an end to the current "spirit of Geneva" feeling in the world.

The cost of supporting the Diem government while it strives to establish itself on a sound democratic footing is a far cry from the money that poured in this direction during the war here. In May of 1954 Secretary of State John Foster Dulles reported "we are now paying (into the Indo-China effort) at the rate of US\$80,000,000 per year plus large provisions of military equipment."

Of the US\$323,000,000 budget more than US\$230,000,000 was going into the training and equipping of the Vietnamese national army which now numbers 170,000 men. Of the balance some US\$56,000,000 has gone toward relieving the problems of more than 800,000 refugees who fled South, some US\$11,000,000 of that figure went to the navy to help meet the costs of the gigantic and historic ship lift that brought the refugees south.

That left some US\$30,000,000 for economic and technical support for the government.

As of today best estimates available said that at least 25 per cent of the refugees were permanently settled and could be now considered out of the "refugee category." The balance will need help in varying degrees, but one more year was expected to see the wind up of the effort to make these people citizens of the South.

American officials say privately that six months to a year ago they felt that Vietnam's vast internal problems coupled with the urgency posed by the threat of the Vietminh made the situation look pretty hopeless.

Today there was a new confidence brought about by the enthusiasm and drive of Diem to meet the political and economic problems in a hurry.

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The policy is said to be "99 per
cent" ready. Some differences
among the agency representa-
tives on details remain to be
ironed out before the proposal
goes to the National Security
Council for approval.
The OSI was established last
November under a directive of
the National Security Council,
the highest government agency
dealing with the over-all securi-
ty of the country.
New Policy
The new exchange policy grew
out of the responsibility placed
upon OSI for coordinating "the
release of unclassified scientific,
technical, industrial and econo-
mic information, the indiscrimin-
ate distribution of which may be
inimical to the defence interests
of the United States."
The first job allocated to the
agency last year was to furnish

country

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SO. CHINA MORNING POST
**Indo-China
Piastre Drops
In Value Here**

OCT 25 1955

As new notes are being issued to replace the current Piastrs by three State Banks in Indo-China, the value of the Indo-China Piastre dropped sharply in the local unofficial money market recently.

The new notes, which will be known as Vietnam Dong, Cambodia Riel and Laos Kip, are expected to be available here in about 10 days' time, it was learned.

Yesterday evening, Indo-China Piastrs bearing the picture of an elephant was sold at \$3.50 per 100. Piastrs per 100 with a picture of Bao Dai sold at \$6.50 and Piastrs per 100 with a picture of an urn sold at \$3.

On October 1 Indo-China Piastrs per 100 were valued at \$7.15; the price dropped to \$6.20 on October 15 and further decreased to \$4 last Saturday.

see 12/8

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

October 31, 1955

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NOV -2 1955

Memorandum for the Files

Viet-Nam - Director General of Posts

I took advantage of a conversation with Mr. Dang Ngoc Tran, Second Secretary of the Embassy of Viet-Nam, who had telephoned regarding certain aspects of the bank note order, to discuss two matters related to the stamp order.

I said that we had had a letter dated October 18, from the Director of Posts saying that he had asked the Vietnamese Embassy in Washington to designate representatives to be present at the printing and at the destruction of spoils, and also stating that he would like us to inform him regarding the control and security measures exercised by us during the printing of an order.

With regard to the latter point, I suggested that since Mr. Tran personally visited the plant in connection with the bank note printing and was making a report to the Bank, perhaps he could likewise report to the Post Office on what he observed about our control and security. As regards having representatives present during the printing of stamps, I said I was sure that he would agree with me that this would not be feasible for, as he had seen, the different phases of printing take place in different parts of the plant simultaneously and that, therefore, it would be impossible to comply satisfactorily with the request.

Mr. Tran interrupted to say that it would not only be impractical but unnecessary. He said that if the Bank trusted us to print its notes, the Post Office should do likewise. Mr. Tran asked that I send him a copy of the letter from the Director General of Posts, saying that he would write to him about the above two items. On further reflection he said that he thought we should write, too, and that his correspondence could serve as a confirmation of what we would say. I told Mr. Tran that I would write him within a day or two.

Manay M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

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OTHER COPY IN
Viet-Nam - Stamps
J. W. B.
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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

October 31, 1955

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NOV -2 1955

Memorandum for the Files

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Mr. Dang Ngoc Tran, 2nd Secretary of the Embassy of Viet-Nam, telephoned today. In connection with the cremation of spoils and the storage of plates upon the conclusion of the order, he advised that the Ambassador had appointed him to witness these procedures for the Bank.

When he requested that we notify him of the date to be present, I explained that the order would not be completed for several months. I asked if he was aware of the fact that the cremation would probably take several days. He replied that he would be prepared to spend the necessary time here.

Murray M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

NOTE:

Mr. Tran talked to Mr. Beckett on Friday, in my absence. In that conversation Mr. Tran expressed concern that we were going to cremate spoils from day to day and that we were not going to hold spoils until the conclusion of the order, for cremation. He felt that something said to him on this subject during his recent visit to the Plant had given rise to this fear. Mr. Beckett's explanation of our agreement seemed to satisfy Mr. Tran.

J. W. B.
NOV -2 1955



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Air Mail

November 3, 1955

His Excellency Tran Van Chuong
Ambassador
Embassy of Viet-Nam
Washington, D. C.

MAILING
NOV 10 1955

Revised letter
dated 11/9/55
Today. 11/9/55
20/

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am pleased to confirm the recent conversation between Mr. Dang Ngoc Tran, and our Mr. Murray Wise, by which we were informed that you have appointed Mr. Tran to represent the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam at the cremation of the spoils at the conclusion of the bank note order, which will be several months hence.

Our agreement with the Bank, as contained in our letter of August 24th to the Bank, is that: "Partially printed pressroom spoils will be cancelled and cremated by us as they occur from day to day. However, completed notes found to be defective in any way will be immediately cancelled, but held for cremation after completion of the order, in the presence of your representative, if you desire. A detailed certificate will be furnished you, accounting for spoilage and cremation."

As regards the other part of the conversation between Mr. Tran and Mr. Wise, relating to postage stamps which we are printing for the Director of Posts and Telecommunications of Viet-Nam, I am enclosing a self-explanatory letter which I have today mailed to Mr. Nguyen-Khac-Tham.

We were delighted to have Mr. Tran visit us recently to observe first-hand our personnel, procedures and security measures and feel confident that his report will be helpful in answering the interests of the Bank and Post Office in our system of security controls.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Very truly yours,

President

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

New York, N.Y.

Air Mail

November 2, 1955

NOV 10 1955

His Excellency Tran Van Chuong
Ambassador
Embassy of Vietnam
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am pleased to confirm the recent conversation between Mr. Dang Ngoc Tran, and our Mr. Murray Wise, by which we were informed that you have appointed Mr. Tran to represent the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam at the creation of the apolix at the conclusion of the bank note order, which will be several months hence.

Our agreement with the Bank, as contained in our letter of August 24th to the Bank, is that: "Partially printed pressroom apolix will be cancelled and created by us as they occur from day to day. However, completed notes found to be defective in any way will be immediately cancelled but held for creation after completion of the order, in the presence of your representative, if you desire. A detailed certificate will be furnished you, accounting for apolix and creation."

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Accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Very truly yours,



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President

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Air Mail
November 3, 1955

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His Excellency Tran Van Chuong
Ambassador
Embassy of Viet-Nam
Washington, D. C.

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Very truly yours,

President

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Air Mail

November 7, 1955

His Excellency Tran Van Chuong
Ambassador
Embassy of Viet-Nam
Washington, D. C.

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NOV 10 1955

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am pleased to confirm the recent conversation between Mr. Dang Ngoc Tran and our Mr. Murray Wise, by which we were informed that you have appointed Mr. Tran to represent the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam at the cremation of the spoils at the conclusion of the bank note order, which will be several months hence.

Pursuant to the request of the Governor of the Bank, we have agreed to hold all spoils, duly cancelled, for cremation after completion of the order. Accordingly, we shall communicate with Mr. Tran in due course to arrange for a mutually satisfactory time for the cremation to be accomplished. At that time a detailed statement will be drawn up, accounting for spoilage and cremation.

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Very truly yours,

President

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see 8/30/16

*Embassy of Viet Nam
Washington, D. C.*

November 7, 1955

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M. M. W.

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Mr. M.M. Wise,
Manager, Foreign Department,
American Bank Note Company,
70 Broad Street,
New York 4, N.Y.

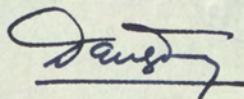
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Dear Mr. Wise,

Enclosed is the letter about which you asked me
in our telephone conversation this morning.

I enjoyed very much meeting you and I feel sure that
the letter of November 4 from your Company to the Director General
of Posts and Telecommunications of Viet Nam will be satisfactory.

Very truly yours,



Dang ngoc Tran
Second Secretary

November 6, 1955

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Enclosed for you are two copies of a letterhead memorandum from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the Department of Justice, dated November 4, 1955, regarding the activities of the American Friends Service Committee in connection with the Korean War.

I have also enclosed for you a copy of a letterhead memorandum from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the Department of Justice, dated November 4, 1955, regarding the activities of the American Friends Service Committee in connection with the Korean War. This memorandum is being furnished to you for your information and for your use in the Department of Justice.

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November 9, 1955

Dang ngoc Tran, Esq.
Second Secretary
Embassy of Viet-Nam
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Tran:

Thank you for your letter of the 7th and for your co-operation in returning to us our communication addressed to the Ambassador on the 3rd. Pursuant to our telephone conversation I enclose herewith our revised letter to the Ambassador.

I appreciate the opportunity of knowing you and working with you and hope that you will continue to feel free to call upon us whenever we can be of assistance.

Very truly yours,

Manager Foreign Department

File

Mr. Wise

TRANSLATION

W. F. C. ✓

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Saigon, November 10, 1955

Replied by cable

11-10-55
WFC/HCM

M. M. W.

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President Banknote New York

No. 463 Honor request you cable urgently present quotations first 100
denomination for forty million bank notes second 500 denomination for
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DATE November 10, 1955

TO

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc
 Governor
 BANVINA (Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)
 SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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via RCA

SENDER PLEASE SPECIFY ROUTE:

INSERT "RCA"

Pleased advise Your Excellency our present quotations for quantities mentioned
 your telegram No. 463 are first US\$344,000 for 100 denomination in view larger quantity
 and second US\$24,500 for 500 denomination terms and conditions same as before stop
 Renewed assurances.

COLCLOUGH, PRESIDENT, BANKNOTE

WFC: HMC

OK *[initials]*
 11/30

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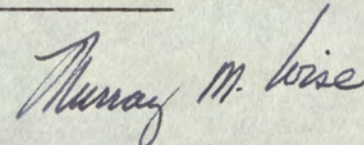
November 10, 1955

Memorandum for the Files

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

see Oct 4
The attached letter dated October 4th, to Mr. McNeary, from Saigon, states that the Security Bank Note Company charged the Bank US\$378,000.00 F.O.B. Philadelphia, for 100,000,000 notes of the 1's, 2's, 5's and 200's. These, of course, are lithographed notes.

There are also references to air shipments, freight and insurance rates.

MMW

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

The Honorable Vu Quoc Thuc
Governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon.

10th November 1955

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REC'D HGM LETTER 2/10/56

FEB 27 1956

Dear Governor,

Relating to the contract of this day concluded between the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam and the Security Banknote Company, I point out to your attention the following:

I. — I wish to confirm that the ^{manufacture of the} ~~quantity of~~ sixty million (60,000,000) notes of one (1) piastre denomination must not ~~be~~ be undertaken by the Security Banknote Company before the 1st June 1956. If the Bank wishes to convert the whole quantity or any part of this quantity of sixty million notes of one piastre denomination, this conversion can be done to others denominations of 2, 5, 10, 50 and/or 200 piastres. If you do the conversion to another denomination and/or denominations, the price for this conversion of notes will be that which is in the two contracts concluded this day between us. These prices, ex-factory Philadelphia, are:

Denominations	Price ex-factory Philadelphia
1	U.S. \$ 3.433 ✓
2	3.473
5	3.563
10	5.51
20	5.76
50	7.25
200	7.95

It will be preferable that the Bank takes a decision before the 1st June 1956 in order to permit the placing of appropriate orders of materials including paper and ink.

II. — I wish to confirm also that in order to be able to fulfill the schedule of shipments, it ~~will~~ would be possible, if necessary, to use Military Establishments script paper for the manufacture of the first deliveries of ~~deno~~ two and five piastres denomination. In this event the Security Banknote

P. T. O.

Company will credit the Bank of the difference of prices between the notes manufactured with Military Establishments script paper and those manufactured with banknote paper complying in pursuance to the specifications of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing of the United States and relating to the paper for the manufacture of banknotes. In this event a complete statement of the credit in favour of the Bank will be sent for its records and in consequence the Security Banknote Company will credit the account of the Bank.

The difference of price between 1,000 notes manufactured with Military Establishments script paper and 1,000 notes manufactured with banknote paper is the following:

Denomination	Price ex-factory for notes manufactured with Military Establishments script paper	Price ex-factory for notes manufactured with banknote paper	Difference
2 piastres	U.S. \$ 3.213	U.S. \$ 3.473	U.S. \$ 0.26
5 piastres	3.333	3.563	0.23

III. — As soon as we completed the manufacture of the recent orders of notes for your Bank, the Embassy of Viet-Nam in Washington has sent the Second Secretary to the office of the Security Banknote Company to seal the plates etc.... of the 1, 2, 5 and 200 piastres. It is preferable that you have the kindness to send a cable to the Embassy asking them to take together with the Security Banknote Company in Philadelphia for the breaks of seals on materials which have been used for the manufacture of 2 and 5 piastres in order that we can be able to use the same materials for the manufacture of notes relating to the new contract.

I remain

Sincerely yours

Hunt

The President

10 Novembre 1955

L'Honorable Vu quoc Thuc
Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam
Saigon.

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FEB 27 1956

Cher Gouverneur,

Concernant le contrat en date du même jour passé entre la Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam et la Security Banknote Company j'attire respectueusement votre attention sur ce qui suit :

1. Option pour la conversion - Je désire vous confirmer que la quantité de soixante millions (60.000.000) de billets de une (1) piastre ne devra pas être mise en production par la Security Banknote Company avant le 1er juin 1956. Si la Banque veut convertir cette quantité totale ou une partie quelconque de ~~soixante millions~~ cette quantité de soixante millions de billets de une piastre, cette conversion peut être faite en d'autres dénominations c'est-à-dire de 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 et /ou 200 piastres. Si vous effectuez la conversion en une autre dénomination et/ou dénominations, le prix pour la conversion de ces billets sera celui qui figure dans les deux contrats passés entre nous à la date de ce jour. Ces prix ex-usine Philadelphie sont :

Dénominations	Prix ex-usine Philadelphie
1	US \$ 3,433
2	3,473
5	3,563
10	5,51
20	5,76
50	7,25
200	7,95

Il serait naturellement préférable que la Banque prenne sa décision bien avant le 1er juin 1956 de façon à permettre de commander les matériaux appropriés y compris le papier et l'encre.

2. Différence de la qualité du papier. Je désire également vous confirmer que pour être en état de respecter le programme de livraison convenu il soit possible ~~si~~ nécessaire d'utiliser le papier des établissements militaires pour les premières quantités des billets de deux et de cinq piastres. Si cette nécessité se produit la Security Banknote Company créditera la Banque de la différence de prix entre les billets fabriqués avec le papier des établissements militaires et ceux fabriqués avec du papier pour billets de Banque conforme aux spécifications du bureau Engraving and Printing des Etats-Unis

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relatives au papier pour fabrication des billets de banque. Dans cette éventualité un état complet du crédit sera envoyé à la Banque pour ses archives et le ~~compte~~ compte de la banque sera crédité en conséquence par la Security Banknote Company.

entre

La différence de prix ~~par~~ 1.000 billets ~~de banque~~ de banque fabriqués avec du papier des établissements militaires et 1.000 billets de banque fabriqués avec du papier pour billets de banque est la suivante :

Dénominations	Prix ex-usine Papier des établis- sment militaires	Prix ex-usine Papier pour billets de banque	Différence
2 piastres	US \$ 3,213	US \$ 3,473	US \$ 0,26
5 piastres	3,333	3,563	0,23

3. Plaques sous scellées etc. Dès l'achèvement de la fabrication récente des quantités des billets de banque pour votre banque, l'Ambassade du Viêt-Nam à Washington a envoyé le second secrétaire de l'Ambassade au bureau de la Security Banknote Company pour mettre les scellés aux plaques etc ... des billets de 1, 2, 5, et 200 piastres. Il serait préférable que vous ayiez l'amabilité d'envoyer un câble à l'Ambassade ~~lui~~ demandant de prendre des dispositions conjointement avec la Security Banknote Company à Philadelphie pour ~~l'obtention~~ la levée des scellés sur les matériaux qui ont été utilisés pour la fabrication des billets de 2 et 5 piastres afin que nous puissions utiliser les mêmes matériaux pour la fabrication relative au nouveau contrat.

J'ai l'honneur

Sincèrement votre

W. R. Hunt

Le Président

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

file as of 11/15/55

SUBJECT:

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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NOV 16 1955

Subsequent to M. M. W. memo 10/30 we have been in touch with P.A.A. many times to ascertain arrival of the air shipments in Saigon.

10/27 PAA again cabled Saigon requesting immediate reply.

10/31 PAA advised second shipment had been delivered intact. No word re first shipment; cabling again.

11/4 PAA advised 1st shipment ^{per 24/11/55} delivered in good condition 10/17
+ 3rd " ^{per 29/10/55} " " " 10/31

11/3 - 4th shipment dispatched - Del'd in good condition 11/7
per PAA 11/9.

11/9 - 5th + last shipment dispatched - Del'd in good condition 11/14



Called here on
11/14/55.

EDWARD J. KENNY



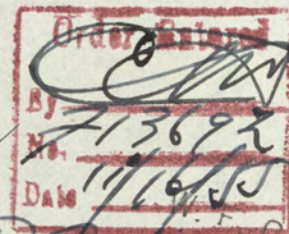
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JK

Attached is personal card of Mr. Kenny who called at the office to make our acquaintance. He is now in charge of cargo for this area of N.Y. He promised better attention to our shipments via PAA.

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American Bank Note Company
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New York 59, N.Y.



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Order Dept
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November 15, 1955

M. M. W.
NOV 16 1955

Mr. M. M. Wise
Manager, Foreign Dept.

Re: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam - F 13692

Please have instructions entered on above order to transfer 2 - 32/100
Piastres Note Face plates Rotary A6 and A7, and instructions to cancel
two of these plates A1 and A4 which are cracked and cannot be repaired.

These plates required for use on this order.

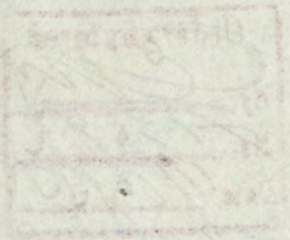
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Production Manager

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"Via RCA"

November 17, 1955

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc
Governor
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SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

PLEASED ADVISE YOUR EXCELLENCY ~~THAT~~ OUR QUOTATION
IN REPLY YOUR LETTER OCTOBER 12 AIRMAILED TODAY
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Air Mail
November 17, 1955

H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81 rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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NOV 21 1955

Excellency:

Please accept my thanks for your inquiry of October 12th regarding your contemplated new order for bank notes in the denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 200. This inquiry I had the pleasure of acknowledging in my telegram and letter dated October 21st.

We have made a careful study of your specifications in order to render you the best possible service and to quote the most favorable prices for notes of high quality and of the same artistic excellence as the notes of the 100 and 500 denominations which we are now furnishing to you. I am happy that we have been able to meet your needs in respect of the initial deliveries of these notes, and I feel sure that you have found the quality of our product and services completely satisfactory in every regard.

When Mr. McNeary was last in Saigon, he telegraphed me that Your Excellency intended to select pictorial subjects for the new denominations on which we now have the pleasure of quoting. It would be helpful if you would kindly forward this material at your earliest convenience, indicating on the back of each photograph the denomination on which you would prefer to have the subject used. Upon receipt of this material and your authorization to proceed, we shall be glad to prepare the respective models, so that you can examine the completed designs and appraise fully their artistic quality.

Since your inquiry makes no mention of shipment requirements, I assume that delivery is not a matter of urgency. However, if you will let me know your needs, you may be assured that everything possible will be done by us to meet them.

After we have had an opportunity to study your pictorial material, we may find it desirable to suggest certain minor reductions in sizes which would be technically advisable and might permit of some reduction in the prices given below, where steel printing is involved. The system of graduated sizes would, of course, be maintained.

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" 2/11/56
" 4/10/56

H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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Nov. 17, 1955

Your inquiry specifies that the 1, 2 and 5 denominations are to be lithographed face and back. As you have been previously advised by Mr. McNeary, lithography does not provide the same degree of protection as a steel engraved note. To guard against successful counterfeiting, all bank notes should have at least one high quality steel printing, and it is preferable to have both the face and back of the note steel engraved.

I am therefore submitting for your consideration certain alternative proposals, in addition to those requested by you. My alternative proposals provide for a steel intaglio printing on the faces of the 1, 2 and 5 denominations, the backs of these denominations to be lithographed; and for steel intaglio printing on both the faces and backs of the 10 and 20 denominations. I would urge you to consider carefully these alternative proposals for I believe the superior protection will be well worth the additional cost involved. However, it is needless to say that we shall comply with your wishes.

For the printing of the notes covered by this proposal, we shall use the same high quality planchette bank note paper as used for your 100 and 500 denominations. This paper is manufactured exclusively for us by Crane & Co., of Dalton, Mass., as we have already explained to you.

We contemplate that the notes will be numbered in series of a million, with two numbers on the face of each note, the numbers to start with the prefix A.

The packing will be the same as used for the 100 and 500 denominations, namely, 500 notes banded in a packet; 10,000 notes wrapped in a Kraft paper package, sealed and labelled; 10 packages or 100,000 notes, packed in a metal-lined wooden case, which will be securely nailed, fastened with clasps and bound with steel bands for export.

In our proposal, when we refer to steel printing, we mean that the notes will be printed direct from solid steel engraved plates, as in the case of the notes of the 100 and 500 denominations; when lithography is mentioned, we mean that the notes will be printed by the highest quality of lithographic printing, in which transfers from original steel engravings will be utilized.

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H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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Nov. 17, 1955

Our prices for furnishing notes of the 7 denominations, in the quantities and sizes and printed by the processes specified in your inquiry, are given below under Items 1, 3 and 5, and our alternative proposals for the 5 lower denominations are given under Items 2 and 4. As previously indicated, I urge your most careful consideration of our alternative proposals.

For:

ITEM 1

Litho face and litho back

<u>Denomination</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Price per thousand</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
1	60,000,000 Notes	US\$ 3.55	\$213,000.00
2	40,000,000 "	3.60	144,000.00
5	100,000,000 "	3.50	350,000.00

ITEM 2 (Alternative)

Steel printed face and litho back

1	60,000,000 Notes	US\$ 7.45	\$447,000.00
2	40,000,000 "	7.75	310,000.00
5	100,000,000 "	7.25	725,000.00

ITEM 3

Steel printed face and litho back

10	50,000,000 Notes	US\$ 7.85	\$392,500.00
20	25,000,000 "	8.20	205,000.00

ITEM 4 (Alternative)

Steel printed face and steel printed back

10	50,000,000 Notes	US\$ 8.75	\$437,500.00
20	25,000,000 "	9.10	227,500.00

ITEM 5

Steel printed face and steel printed back

50	20,000,000 Notes	US\$ 9.25	\$185,000.00
200	20,000,000 "	10.75	215,000.00

Regarding the possible lower quantities of 16,000,000 notes of the 50 denomination and 15,000,000 notes of the 200 denomination, listed in your inquiry, if you should decide to order these quantities, we shall be pleased to maintain the same unit rate quoted above for the 20,000,000 notes.

The above prices are quoted, as before, in U. S. Currency, C.I.F. Saigon, by ocean freight from New York, including the cost of war risk insurance but exclusive of consular fees, exchange taxes or any other taxes or imposts, any increase in the present freight rate or insurance tariff to be for the account of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

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Total notes = 315,000,000
Awarded to
Security, \$1,424,700

\$1,704,500

Difference = \$279,800

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H. E. Vu-Quoc-Thuc, Governor
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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Nov. 17, 1955

Payment is to be made by an irrevocable letter of credit, confirmed by a New York bank, for the total C.I.F. quotation plus an additional 10% to cover any increase in insurance and freight tariffs that might occur, the letter of credit to permit partial shipments and payments to be made against shipping documents or against our certificate of manufacture if shipping facilities are not available.

Our position with respect to delays occasioned by situations beyond our control (force majeure), custody of plates and the destruction of spoils is the same as mutually agreed to by us for the previous order.

In the belief that we have satisfactorily demonstrated to you our responsibility, the high quality and security of our product and the reliability of our services, we look forward to the pleasure of serving you again, and accordingly we place our knowledge, experience and facilities at your complete disposal.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

Sincerely yours,

President

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November 21, 1955

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc
Governor
BANVINA (Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

PURSUANT TO YOUR INQUIRY OF OCTOBER 12 TO
EFFECTIVELY SERVE YOU WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR EXCELLENCYS CABLE
ADVICE WHEN PICTORIAL MATERIAL MAY BE EXPECTED

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 RECEIVED ORDER FOR REPRINT HUNDRED MILLION PIECES SAME
 DENOMINATIONS LOOK FORWARD MY LETTER WARM REGARDS

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UNITED STATES OPERATIONS MISSION TO VIETNAM

AMERICAN EMBASSY
SAIGON, VIETNAM

November 28, 1955

Mr. Nguyen-Cao-Hach
Le Directeur General
Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81, Rue Richaud
SAIGON

REC'D. *HGM* LETTER *2/10/56*

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FEB 27 1956

Dear Mr. Hach :

NOTHING FOR FILING

Referring to your letters No. 525/BN of November 11, 1955, No. 530/C/BN of November 15, 1955, as well as No. 541/C/BN of November 19, 1955, I am pleased to inform you that the United States Operations Mission approves an additional expenditure of US\$1,424,700 from funds previously provided by United States aid and now on deposit with the First National City Bank of New York, for the purpose of purchasing bank notes in the United States. With the authorization granted in my previous letters, amounting to US\$1,199,350.00 as summarized in my letter of October 15, 1955 to Governor Thuc, the amount of direct dollars authorized by this Mission for the purchase and shipment of bank notes procured in the United States is increased to \$2,624,050. ✓

NOTHING FOR FILING

In addition I take note that you have spent the total of 517,833 pounds, equivalent to US\$1,449,732.40 from your own funds for the purchase of bank notes in the United Kingdom. This brings the total amount of foreign exchange spent by the Government of Vietnam for the purchase of new bank notes from all sources to US\$4,073,782.40.

I am pleased to note that the Vietnamese Government has now decided to limit its bank note orders to the face value of 21,050,000,000 piasters. This quantity should constitute an ample stock of notes since it is generally assumed that a 30 % reserve above the currency in circulation plus bank deposits, is a sufficient supply of notes for a central bank. By this method of calculation 21,000,000,000 piasters worth of notes would appear to be adequate for Vietnam's requirements.

I should also like to call to your attention that for the contract negotiated between the National Bank and the American Bank Note Company on July 18, 1955 which is included in the \$2.6 million financed by U.S. funds, a 10% reserve, of US\$59,850 has been provided in case of an increase in freight cost and insurance. If these funds are not required, I assume that the unused portion of these dollars will be redeposited at the First National City bank and be available for reprogramming. I would appreciate your agreement to this procedure.

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FEB 27 1956

Please be assured of my sincere gratitude for your having kept this Mission so well informed about the purchase of bank notes in the past. I would appreciate your advising us in advance if you contemplate letting further bank note contracts.

Accept, Mr. Director - General, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Leland Barrows
Director of Mission

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FEB 27 1936

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Ireland Barrows
Director of Mission

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"Via RCA *"*

November 30, 1955

M. Vu-Quoc-Thuc
Governor
BANVINA (Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)
SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

EXCELLENCY REFERRING TO YOUR TELEGRAM No 463 AND MY TELEGRAPHIC REPLY
OF NOVEMBER TENTH ALSO MY LETTER OF NOVEMBER SEVENTEENTH WOULD APPRECIATE
FOR PRODUCTION PLANNING PURPOSES ANY ADVICE YOU MAY BE ABLE TO GIVE ME AS
TO WHEN DECISION MAY BE REACHED

COLCLOUGH, PRESIDENT, BANKNOTE

HGM:sg

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BANKNOTE

NEW YORK

SAIGON

December 2, 1955

*Replied by cable 12-9-55
HGM*

NO 497 FURTHER TO YOUR CABLE NOVEMBER THIRTIETH

REGRET ~~WE~~ MUST RENOUNCE ORDER CONTEMPLATED OUR LETTER OCTOBER

TWELFTH stop AMERICAN MISSION SAIGON HAS REFUSED UNBLOC

CREDIT stop HIGH CONSIDERATION

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*Leland Barrows
USOM - Ambassador, Saigon*

see 1/11/56

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

December 7, 1955

Memorandum for the Files

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

Upon receipt of cable No. 497 of December 2, from the Governor of the Bank, I telephoned Mr. McCormick of ICA in Washington, to determine whether he could help us understand the meaning of the message. He was not aware of any new request from the Bank for ICA funds and knew of no reason why such a request would be turned down. He pointed out, as he had on another occasion, that the ICA Mission in Saigon, which in the first instance is responsible, to date had made no recommendations to Washington.

Mr. McCormick felt that the situation presented by the cable was rather strange and immediately offered to cable the Mission for clarification. On second thought he suggested that it might be better for us to cable Mr. Leland Barrows, head of the ICA Mission in Saigon, direct. However, when I pointed out that we were obliged to send open messages and said the cable from us conceivably could be embarrassing to all parties concerned, he quickly agreed that it would be preferable for him to send the cable, which he said he would do that afternoon. He offered to call us as soon as he had a reply.

Thurman M. Lise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

J. W. B.
DEC -8 1955

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

December 7, 1955

Memorandum for the Files

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Trip to Washington - December 5th

Mr. McNeary and I went to Washington in the interest of clarifying the December 2 cable from the Governor of the Bank. From the airport we proceeded directly to the Embassy of Viet-Nam and called on the Ambassador. He was unaware of the situation reported by the Bank and expressed considerable concern that ICA would not make needed funds available. He knew that Security Bank Note Co. had received a reprint order and felt that we too should have received one. In fact, he expressed his disappointment, if not surprise, that we had not received a reprint order and, even more in this instance, that we had not received instructions to prepare all of the denominations. He referred to Mr. Tran's visit to our plant and to the excellent report about us which he had sent to the Bank. The Ambassador also knew of the loss of some of Security's notes while in air transit to Saigon and remarked that Security's wrappings were more like a department store job than that of a bank note company.

The Ambassador inquired whether the Embassy might send a message of inquiry to the Governor of the Bank concerning the situation which has arisen. We thanked him kindly for his offer but suggested that for the moment it might be better for him to take no action inasmuch as we had had no reply from ICA and were going right over to see Mr. McCormick. The Ambassador agreed and appreciated our offer to advise him of whatever information we obtained from Mr. McCormick.

We next visited ICA. Mr. McCormick had received no reply to his cable but asked that we call him before leaving Washington in the evening. He also expressed his concern over the circumstances reported by the Governor of the Bank and stated his earnest desire to help us clarify the background. He did not know that Security had received a reprint order but did mention the loss in shipment of Security notes corresponding to the first order. He said that it was his understanding that 30,000 notes of 200 piastres denomination had disappeared in Manila where the PAA shipment had been delayed temporarily.

After lunch we returned to the Embassy of Viet-Nam to obtain a visa for Mr. McNeary to visit Saigon again in case of necessity. We saw the Ambassador briefly and informed him that Mr. McCormick had not received a clarification from Saigon as yet, but that we could advise the Embassy from New York of developments.

Just before taking the plane from the Washington airport we called Mr. McCormick but again he reported that no reply had come in from the Mission in Saigon. He said he fully understood our concern and would do his utmost to help alleviate it.

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Thurman M. Lise

Manager Foreign Department

J. W. B.

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FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

December 7, 1955

Memorandum for the Files

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Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

While calling at the Embassy of Viet-Nam in Washington we learned that the Second Secretary, Mr. Tran, was in New York and were informed as to how to contact him. Upon communicating with Mr. Tran yesterday, he offered to come to the office, and did.

Mr. McNeary and I briefed Mr. Tran thoroughly concerning the cable from the Bank and the trip to Washington on the previous day. He was very puzzled and surprised at developments and offered to be of all the help he could. We said, of course, that we would call the Embassy immediately we had further word from Mr. McCormick.

Mr. Tran told us that Security Bank Note Company had received a reprint order from the Bank and that it was his understanding that it was only for the 2's and 5's in quantities of 10,000,000 each, for the month of December. He also referred to the violation of the Security shipment via PAA, stating that according to his information, notes of 200 piastres denomination, valuing 8,000,000 piastres had been lost. This would mean a loss of 40,000 units, or 10,000 more than Mr. McCormick had reported.

Mr. McNeary took Mr. Tran uptown and enroute observed Mr. Tran's concern over the Bank's cable and learned from him that he had been greatly impressed with his visit to the Plant a few weeks ago and had sent to Saigon a report most favorable to us. It could not be determined what he reported regarding Security.

Thunay M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

J. W. B.
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5-Nabbed In PI For Theft Of Vietnam Money

MANILA, Dec. 7—(UP)—Government agents last night announced the solution of the theft two months ago of about 1,000,000 Piastres belonging to the South Vietnam government following the arrest of five ground crew members of a leading foreign airline here.

The stolen money was part of a huge shipment of Vietnamese currency fresh from the mint in the United States, which was being flown to Saigon aboard an airliner. The plane stopped over at the Manila International Airport last Sept. 28.

Investigators said the shipment ordered by the South Vietnam government from the US to be issued as new currency was pilfered at the Manila international airport while awaiting transshipment for Saigon.

The theft was kept under wraps by the two governments since its discovery to avoid embarrassment on both sides.

It was understood the Saigon government had claimed the loss of about 1,000,000 piastres (about US\$100,000) but investigators said that thus far only 190,000 piastres had been recovered from the suspects who readily admitted guilt.

Currency Crime In Philippines Said Solved

DEC 8 - 1955

Manila, Dec. 7.

The Philippine Government authorities announced here last night solution to a theft involving 1,000,000 South Vietnamese piastres (about US\$200,000) belonging to Ngo Dinh Diem's Government while being unloaded at Manila airport last September.

Five suspects working for a major international airline were arrested on Monday night and turned over to the Customs Commissioner, Manuel Manahan, for further investigation.

The stolen money was part of a shipment from the United States to South Vietnam aboard an aircraft which stopped in Manila. — France-Press.

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American Bank Note Co.,
70 Broad St., NYC

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December 9, 1955

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via RCA

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M. Vu Quoc Thuc

Governor

BANVINA (Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)

SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

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Excellency referring to your telegram No. 497 December 2 we deeply
regret circumstances you described stop do you wish us to endeavor to be of
assistance stop Referring our telegram November 10 would appreciate advice
concerning status of contemplated reprint of 100 and 500 denominations stop
highest consideration

Colclough President BANKNOTE

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

December 9, 1955

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Memorandum for the Files

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

I telephoned Mr. McCormick, ICA Washington, D. C., to inquire whether he had received a reply to the telegram sent a week ago today to his Mission in Saigon.

Mr. McCormick had received no acknowledgement of his message and promised to send a follow-up on Monday afternoon if he has no response by then.

Manay M. Kise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

TRANSLATION

Republic of Viet-Nam

NKT/dts/15

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

Saigon, December 15, 1955

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

*Cabled Reun 1/11/56
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No. 596/C/BN

Subject: Proposed supplementary order
for bank notes

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M. M. W.
DEC 19 1955

The Governor of the Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
To The President of the American Bank Note Co.
70 Broad Street, New York 4, N. Y.

Mr. President,

✓ I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your cablegram of the
9th inst.

I very much appreciate your goodwill as regards intervening with
the appropriate American authorities with a view to obtaining in our favor
an unblocking of foreign exchange necessary to permit us eventually to give you
a new order for bank notes in 100\$ and 500\$ denominations.

In expressing my sincere thanks, I inform you that, for my part, I
see nothing but advantages in such intervention being effected.

In the event that it is conclusive, I would contemplate - taking into
account our new needs - favoring you with an order within the framework of our
currency manufactures for the year 1956.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurances of my high considera-
tion.

(Sgd.) (illegible)

VU-QUOC-THUC

(Stamped seal)

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ETAT DU VIET-NAM
REPUBLIQUE DU VIET-NAM

BANQUE NATIONALE DU VIET-NAM

79-81, Rue Richaud, Saigon

N° 596/c/BN

OBJET :

Projet de commande
supplémentaire de billets
de banque.

W. F. C.

DEC 19 1955

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Saigon le 15 Décembre 1955

Le Gouverneur de la Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam.

A Monsieur LE PRESIDENT DE L'AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO
70, Broad Street,

NEW-YORK 4, N.Y.

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JAN 12 1956

Monsieur le Président,

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre
câblogramme du 9 courant.

Je suis très sensible à vos bonnes dispositions pour une intervention auprès des autorités compétentes américaines en vue d'obtenir en notre faveur un déblocage de devises nécessaires pour nous permettre éventuellement de vous passer une nouvelle commande de billets de banque dans les dénominations de 100\$ et 500\$.

En vous exprimant mes sincères remerciements, je vous informe que, pour ma part, je ne vois que des avantages à ce qu'une telle intervention puisse être effectuée.

Au cas où elle serait concluante, j'envisagerais, - compte tenu de nos nouveaux besoins, - de vous favoriser d'une commande dans le cadre de notre programme des fabrications fiduciaires pour l'année 1956.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma haute considération. *Dr*



[Signature]
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FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

December 19, 1955

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Memorandum for the Files

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

✓ This morning upon receipt of the Bank's letter of December 15th, I telephoned Mr. McCormick of ICA, Washington, D. C., to inquire whether he had received a response to his telegram to Saigon, sent two weeks ago.

Mr. McCormick answered in the affirmative, saying, however, that the message was somewhat garbled and not as concise or explicit as he had hoped. Furthermore, he said that it was a classified message and that he would be a little handicapped in relaying the message to me.

The gist of the cable, according to Mr. McCormick, was that ICA Mission to Saigon had placed a limitation on the face value in piastres of notes to be issued next year and had likewise stipulated a limitation on the funds it would provide for the purchase of notes within the authorization. The Bank has agreed to both limitations.

Mr. McCormick said that the use of the term "unblocking" was improper technically and he could not understand why the Bank continued to use it. He said it would be more proper for the Bank to say that ICA would not "make available" all the money that would be necessary to cover our quotations. He said it was actually up to the Bank to decide how it could best use the funds that would be available from ICA.

Then in a rather vague way Mr. McCormick referred to competitive prices. I inquired whether he in effect was saying that ICA Mission was recommending that the Bank purchase notes at the cheapest prices offered. He said that he did not understand the situation to mean that at all, but that he was sure the Bank would be expected to get competitive offers. He added that ICA naturally would be opposed to the Bank's spending its funds unreasonably. I asked whether that meant that the Bank was to ignore quality, security and services such as we offer. To this Mr. McCormick replied that he was sure that it was customary in the consideration of prices to take fully into account the factors that I had mentioned. I pointed out that the Bank had asked for prices for both steel and litho work, and after my further discussion of the salient features of our product and services he said that really he was not familiar with such technicalities. He remarked that Washington did not interest itself to that extent for it was the Bank that decided such matters.

Mr. McCormick felt that the Bank was not being completely open with us and was unnecessarily using ICA as an excuse for whatever

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
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point it wished to make. He asked if I knew that some notes were being ordered from British firms, the account to be paid for from the Bank's own reserves of sterling. I replied that the whole situation was very confusing to us at this stage.

Mr. McCormick hoped to receive further clarification and said he would inform us of any significant information that came to his attention. I thanked him kindly for his cooperation.

Thunay M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:sg

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Saigon

BANKNOTE

NEW YORK

December 20, 1955

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Replied by cable 12/20/55 JWB
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J. W. B.
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December 20, 1955

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TO

BANVINA (Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam)

SAIGON (Viet-Nam)

SENDER PLEASE SPECIFY ROUTE:

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via RCA

Reference your telegram twentieth refer our letters twentififth November ninth December
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Air Mail
December 21, 1955

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81, rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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DEC 23 1955

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge receipt of your telegram of the 20th, reading:

"511 Priere nous expedier urgence documents expedition concernant
chargements steeltraveler et olufmaersk stop Dorenavant reconnais-
sants expedier documents avant date arrivee bateaux a Saigon fin"

and confirm our reply of the same date as follows:

"Reference your telegram twentieth refer our letters twentififth Novem-
ber ninth December original documents delivered First National City
Bank stop They advise documents airmailed you thirtieth November
fourteenth December respectively."

With our letters to you of November 25th and December 9th, relative
to the "Steel Traveler" and "Oluf Maersk" shipments respectively, we enclosed
copies of some of the documents and stated that on those same dates the original
shipping documents had been delivered to The First National City Bank of New
York in accordance with the terms of the letter of credit which you arranged in
our favor. On receipt of your cited telegram we communicated with The First
National City Bank of New York and were informed by them that the two sets
of shipping documents had been sent to you by air mail on November 30th and
December 14th respectively.

Even though some delay in the mails is to be expected at this time,
owing to the extraordinary volume of holiday mail, we fail to understand why you
should not have received by now the first set, mailed November 30th. Surely it
should reach you shortly, well in advance of the "Steel Traveler", which is not
due in Saigon until January 11th.

File

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
79-81, rue Richaud
Saigon, Viet-Nam

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December 21, 1955

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DEC 22 1955

It is, perhaps, a little too soon to expect the second set under the circumstances, but here again we are confident that you will receive them well in advance of the arrival of the "Oluf Maersk", which is not due in Saigon until January 26th.

On future shipments we shall continue to deliver documents to The First National City Bank of New York as soon as they are available, and once the holiday mail rush is over they will undoubtedly reach you in less elapsed time than those in question. However, if there is anything further you would like us to do, we shall be glad to give our fullest attention to your instructions.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

Manager Foreign Department

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RCA COMMUNICATIONS, INC. A SERVICE OF RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA
66 BROAD STREET, N. Y., TEL. HA. 2-1811

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Mr. Wise

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Trans.: Honor inform you have received documents.

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

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AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

December 28, 1955

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JAN -5 1956

Memorandum for the Files:

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam

By telephone this afternoon I inquired of Mr. McCormick, ICA, Washington, D. C., whether he had received further clarification of the position of the Bank with respect to the proposed new order for notes (see my memorandum of December 19th). He had not, and added that the Mission in Saigon, with its heavy year-end reporting, would probably not forward any further information on this matter.

I apologized for bothering him again, but explained that we were thinking of sending our representative to Saigon early in January and that before arranging such a long trip it seemed well to check once more with ICA.

Mr. McCormick said that although the Bank would like to have more ICA funds made available for the new order, such funds would definitely not be increased. He explained that the Bank had a reserve of its own in dollars and Pounds Sterling which could be used to supplement the ICA aid. He was informed that some of the reserve was being used for the purchase of notes in England.

In conclusion, Mr. McCormick referred to our thought of having our representative visit Saigon and expressed his belief that this would be most desirable.

Thung M. Wise

Manager Foreign Department

MMW:ed

J. W. B.

JAN -5 1956

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Banque Nationale du Vietnam

200 (Piastre) Dong - (Note)

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(In WFC files - 1/17/56)

Printed by Security Banknote Company

HK\$16.- paid to Money Changer in HongKong
HK\$ 5.84 ex rate HongKong/NewYork
Dongs 75 to the US\$.- in HongKong
Official rate in Saigon 35 to the US\$

Examined by
WFC 12/28/55

M. M. W.
DEC 28 1955

(Litho paper back)
on planchette paper
numbered in 2 places in
red on face

FILING

JAN 18 1956

Security's lower denominations will be mailed as soon as they are obtainable in HongKong.

Forwarded to Mr. McKeary
by friend in HongKong.

This is an english translation of a french translation of the original
NCB letter written in English.

REC'D...LETTER... 2/10/56

* NY. December 28 1955

The First National City Bank of New York

Sans votre réponse veuillez
mentionner CCF/CHA

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon.

FILING
FEB 27 1956

Messieurs,

Objet: reference a votre 567/C/BN
Credits en faveur de la Security Banknote Co.

Referring to your ~~two~~ letters of credit which you have asked us to open in favor of the Security Bank Note Company by your cable of November 29 1955 and by your letter of the same date giving to us all the details of these two letters of credit, your letter reference being VQT/CH-29.

We are glad to inform you that we have advised the beneficiary of the two credits opened in their favor and we have also sent you under separate cover our formal acknowledgment giving you the complete details of the credits as they have been opened in favor of the Security Banknote Company. As the two credits are payable against the furnishing of warehouse certificates or certificates of manufacture we would appreciate your instructions in the event that one of these documents will be furnished to ourselves instead of a bill of lading.

Yours sincerely

Assistant Cashier

NOTHING FOR FILING

PS we just received your letter of the 16th of December 1955 relative to our receipt of your letter of November 29 1955, giving us the complete details of the above credits please note that your original letter No.576/C/BN has been received by us on the 19th of December 1955, It seems that this late reception has been due to the heavy amount of postal matter during these holidays.

This is an English translation of a French translation of the original.
NBB letter written in English.

13 December 23 1955

Sans votre réponse veuillez
mentionner CBN/CNA

The First National City Bank of New York

Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam
Saigon.

Messieurs,

Objet: reference à votre 5276/CBN
Crédits en faveur de la Security Bannote Co.

Referring to your two letters of credit which you have
called us to open in favor of the Security Bank Note Company by your cable
of November 23 1955 and by your letter of the same date giving to us all
the details of these two letters of credit, your letter reference being
VOT/CH-23.

We are glad to inform you that we have advised the
beneficiary of the two credits opened in their favor and we have also
sent you under separate cover our formal acknowledgment giving you the
complete details of the credits as they have been opened in favor of the
Security Bannote Company. As the two credits are payable against
the furnishing of warehouse certificates or certificates of manufacture
we would appreciate our instructions in the event that one of these
documents will be furnished to ourselves instead of a bill of lading.

Yours sincerely,

Assistant Cashier



As we just received your letter of the 18th of December 1955 relative to
our receipt of your letter of November 23 1955, giving us the complete
details of the above credits please note that your original letter
No. 5276/CBN has been received by us on the 18th of December 1955. It seems
that this late reception has been due to the heavy amount of postal
matter during these holidays.

THE FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK

REC'D UFM 2/10/56

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FEB 27 1956

28 décembre 1955

dans votre réponse veuillez
mentionner CCF/CHA

Banque Nationale du Viêt-Nam
Saigon

Messieurs,

Référence Objet : Référence à votre 567/C/BN
Crédits en faveur de la Security Banknote
Compagny.

Nous nous référons aux deux lettres de crédit que vous nous
avez demandé d'ouvrir en faveur de la Security Banknote Compagny conformément
à votre télégramme du 29 novembre 1955 et aux détails complémentaires figu-
rant dans votre lettre de même date et portant la référence "VQT/CH-29".

Nous sommes heureux de vous informer que nous avons avisé
le bénéficiaire de ces deux crédits et nous vous avons envoyé sous plis
séparés nos reconnaissances formelles vous donnant les détails des crédits
comme il a été ouvert en faveur de la Security Banknote Compagny. Comme
ces deux crédits sont payables contre présentation document de réception
à l'entrepot ou contre certificat du fabricant attestant d'une manière
évidente que le travail a été achevé, nous apprécierons vos instructions
dans le cas où éventuellement l'un des deux documents nous serait présenté
à la place d'un connaissance maritime.

Trés sincèrement vôtre.

Le Caissier Adjoint

P.S. Nous venons de recevoir à l'instant votre lettre du 16 décembre 1955
relative à notre réception de votre lettre du 29 novembre nous donnant les
détails complets sur les crédits ci-dessus. Veuillez noter que l'original
de votre lettre n° 567/C/BN a été reçu par nous le 19 décembre 1955. Il semble
que le retard a été dû à la grosse quantité de frêt postal par-venant durant
les jours de fêtes.

American Bank Note Company
Garrison Ave. & Tiffany St.
FILING *New York 59, N.Y.*

JUN - 4 1956

Order Dept.

Mr. Murray M. Wise
Manager, Foreign Dept.

Order Entered
By <i>Sub</i>
No. <i>F13692</i>
Date <i>1/3/55</i>

December 29, 1955

M. M. W.

DEC 30 1955

J. W. B.

DEC 30 1955

Re: Banque Nationale du Viet-Nam - F 13692

Please have instructions entered on above order to transfer 2 - 32/100 Piastres Note Face plates Rotary A8 and A9, and instructions to cancel three of these plates A2, A3 and A5 which are cracked and cannot be repaired.

These plates required for use on this order.

The above plates are to be transferred on any steel other than # 248.

LVB/AS

OK
12/30/55
[Signature]

[Signature]
Production Manager

C. S. W.

DEC 30 1955

December 29, 1955

M. M. W.

DEC 30 1955

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Please have instructions re transfer of funds to credit 2 - 25/100
Please have instructions re transfer of funds to credit 2 - 25/100
three of these plates are 15 and 15 are the same and cannot be
replaced.

MOLE CO

THE ABOVE PLATES ARE TO BE REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING:

Dec 30 9 08 AM '55

ORDER DEPT.

Product Manager

LVB/AS

DEC 30 1955